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THE COKE TRADE IS STILL STRONG.

Production for the Week Shows an Increase of 10,000 Tons.

SPLENDID FEELING PREVAILS

Operators Confident That $3 Coke or Even Better Will Be Realized During First Half of Year but Are Slow to Make Contracts Even at That.

PRODUCTION.

For the week ending Saturday, October 9, 1909:

Districts.	Ovens.	In.	Out.	Tons.
C'ville.	24,555	22,477	2,078	280,334
L. C'ville.	14,604	12,816	1,788	151,495
Totals	39,159	35,293	3,866	437,829

MANUFACTURED.

District	By Consumer.	For Market.
Connellsville	239,980	46,354
L. Connellsville	55,596	95,899
Totals	295,576	142,253

Previous Week.

Districts.	Ovens.	In.	Out.	Tons.
C'ville.	24,555	22,477	2,078	272,324
L. C'ville.	14,004	12,216	1,788	151,495
Totals	38,559	34,693	3,866	423,819

MANUFACTURED.

District	Consumer.	Market.
Connellsville	225,970	46,345
L. Connellsville	55,516	95,899
Totals	281,566	142,253

SHIPMENTS.

Aggregate from both regions in cars for the week ending October 9, 1909:

Pittsburg	4,094
West of Pittsburg	7,616
East of Connellsville	915
Total	13,525

Previous Week.

To Pittsburg	5,042
West of Pittsburg	7,934
East of Connellsville	882
Total	13,858

[For complete tables of ovens in blast in both regions see pages 2 and 3.]

Coke production was much improved last week, a clear gain of over 10,000 tons being recorded. A slight decrease in the number of cars was noted. An increase in the general number of ovens was also a feature, the Thompson-Connellsville Company reporting a total oven list of 500 at its two plants. But these were not all in blast and did not increase the tonnage. However, better time at other works helped out on this end.

A serious, or rather an unsettled labor shortage seems to hamper the various coke plants. The shifting about of workmen and the unsettled condition makes the operation of a plant uncertain and reduces production considerably. The Frick company is carrying considerable stock coke on its yards and in the face of this is still a buyer. It is believed that some of this output is being stocked at the furnaces, but operators say that even at the advanced prices the Steel Corporation is making good in its purchases at this time for coke will be surprisingly high the coming nine months.

Water conditions throughout the entire region are better, while the car supply is all that is necessary and the railroad agents declare that they are in a position to maintain it.

Many immigrants are arriving daily but the great majority of them are what is termed "green" hands and do not prove satisfactory at the work. Much of the output is lost in this manner. We quote for this week:

First class furnace.....$2.85@$2.90
First class 6-into 1010.....$3.00
First class foundry.....$3.25

During the week several well known companies contracted for the balance of the year at $2.85. This is considered an excellent price, but others have held off and are holding off for a $3 rate, while taking a lower price for spot delivery.

THE PITTSBURG VIEW.

Coke Market There Continues Firm With Little Change.

Special to The Weekly Courier.

PITTSBURG, Pa., October 15.—The coke market does not seem to have gained or lost strength in the past week. The position, however, has become slightly clearer as consumers have had an additional week to reflect upon the maintenance of what at the start was considered an extreme price for coke for next year. The knowledge has become more generally disseminated that the country is making pig iron not simply at a new record rate, but at a rate far beyond the previous record. Pig iron production today is easily at a rate exceeding 29,500,000 tons a year—it may even be touching 30,000,000 tons—whereas the best rate reached in 1907 was 28,000,000 tons. The bearing of this fact upon the coke market's future, however, is not interpreted alike by all. There are those who point to this remarkable rate, with prospects of a further increase, as evidence that the coke supply will be insufficient, while there are others who draw an opposite conclusion, arguing that since coke is actually being found with which to make this pig iron, there need be no alarm for the future, since coke production will not fall off, and may show a material increase. Of course it is such difference of opinion which make markets in any commodity.

Standard Connellsville furnace coke on contract for next year is pegged between the limits of $2.90 and $3.00. Higher than $3.00 has not been made on any contract which has come to light, and no coke is known to have been sold within the past two or three weeks at lower than $2.90.

The principal contract of the week was one for upwards of 25,000 tons a month for the first half, at $2.90 at ovens, taking care of the buyer's requirements for the period.

Both buyers and sellers show a diversity of opinion as to whether coke for the whole year should sell at more or less than coke for the half year. Some sellers who ask $3.00 for first half will sell at $2.90 for the whole year, and vice versa. The seller is evidently guessing, while the buyer has the small advantage of choosing for which period he will buy.

The buying movement in furnace coke for next year has now progressed enough to permit estimates of what has been done. It is figured that outside of long term contracts there has been sold for first half or the whole year not far from 250,000 tons per month. A few of the sales were made in August, before the present level was reached, and a few have been on sliding scale contracts, based on pig iron, but there is little doubt that more than 100,000 tons a month has been sold at flat prices, from $2.85 up to $3.00. There is left to be bought, at the lowest estimate, fully 200,000 tons a month, and if some doubtful customers come in the requirements will be considerably larger. Several, four or five at any rate, of the eastern Pennsylvania and New York steel interests have not covered anything like their entire requirements. The central western steel works are better covered, but there are many merchant furnaces, in Western Pennsylvania, Ohio and farther out, which have not contracted.

The pressure for odd lots of spot furnace coke has decreased, pointing to a somewhat better movement, but on the other hand there has been demand for some fairly large lots of prompt coke. We note, for instance, the following sales in the week for prompt coke: 2,000 tons at $2.75; 2,000 tons at $2.85; 1,000 tons at $2.80; 25 cars at $2.80. The prices here given are exact, but the tonnages are stated only approximately. Some furnaces are believed to be buying extra tonnages for stock.

Foundry coke has been very dull, and occasionally sales of prompt are made at prices below what furnace coke could bring. Very little indeed is being done in foundry coke for next year; interest in the market centers almost wholly upon furnace coke.

The market is quotable at $2.75 to $2.85 for prompt and $2.90 to $3.00 for next year, for furnace coke, and at $2.60 to $2.85 for prompt and $3.00 to $3.25 for next year for 72-hour coke.

CONTROVERSY CONTINUES.

Ball Estate Still in Litigation Excites Attention.

The ownership of 5,140 acres of West Virginia land, claimed by the Joseph Ball estate is still eliciting attention. The Ball heirs supported by several well known attorneys are now cutting timber off the estate and are not being molested, according to reports from that section. The estate has been in litigation for half a century and a number of Fayette county people are interested in it, claiming relationship.

Chess Brothers of Pittsburg are supposed to own the tract of land, but they have not started any proceedings. Ed. R. Prince of Parkersburg is the superintendent of the plant and he states that he expects to have a large mill in operation by January 1. The only effort to stop the work has been a warning fr Chess Brothers that work must be stopped.

DID WORK FIRST.

Men Employed at Trotter Took Holiday After Work Was Done.

Superintendent P. J. Tormay is particularly well pleased with the spirit of the men shown on Columbus Day, Tuesday of this week. He was expecting that a large number of them would stay away from the ovens and was surprised when every man turned up at 4 o'clock in the morning, drew their ovens and then came to town to attend the celebration.

He had the pleasure also of seeing more than half a hundred of his men march in the parade and report for duty the next morning. This is considered a remarkable example of men staynig on their jobs as a celebration usually means a two-day lay off.

More Coal Can Be Saved.

Officials of the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal Company announce that the most of the coal lost in the sinking of the 200 barges at New Orleans can be saved. They believe 75 per cent. will be recovered.

WHY FREIGHT RATES ARE MIXED.

A General Misunderstanding Seems to Prevail Among Consumers.

BLAST FURNACE RATE CHEAPER

Straight Quotations for Coke Apply in Some Cases While in Others it Does Not—New Tariff is Probable Soon. Present Rates.

A great deal of misapprehension seems to exist among shippers and buyers in connection with freight rates on coke, an din some instances the rates are rather complicated. The rates were arranged by agents of the coke carrying lines some time ago. Frequently it has been found necessary to change certain rate points but an effort has been constantly made to preserve a certain territory with a view to having certain boundaries within a receiving district. These have been reduced to a group system and although groups do not represent all the towns its represents towns within the group and the imaginary line drawn by the agents governs the shipments.

Some complaint has been made that rates are from 5 to 30 cents lower in certain instances. This is correct in part, but some purchasers get only foundry coke while blast furnace coke is always moved at a lower rate. The lower blast furnace rate does not obtain to all points, but to a few it does. The double rating does not seem exactly right to many buyers and they are unable to understand it.

For general information a freight rate table covering practically all the districts has been compiled. The blast furnace districts are represented, and the rate is notably different, but the railroad companies give as explanation for the varying rates the value of the commodity that is carried and the responsibility and expense in case of destruction. The destruction of a car of furnace coke is not as costly as that of a car of foundry, consequently the higher rate is applied. All agents are supposed to know whether coke is delivered to blast furnaces or for foundry interests. They may not catch up the first car, but subsequent shippings to foundry interests are sure to be tagged.

The question has been one of more than ordinary interest. Foundry dealers have questioned rates quoted in The Courier and furnace men have also doubted them. The freight quotations heretofore in The Courier have been straight coke. Furnace interests say that the rate is not so high but confirmation has always been made by the railroads having furnished the quotations.

The appended table has been corrected up to date and has been verified from many quarters, but it is probable that a change of rates may occur at any time. A revision of the coke rates is already under consideration and may take place within the next 30 days. Expert rate men are already working upon this proposition.

The present ruling rates are:

	Furnace	Foundry
Pittsburg	.75	.80
Akron, O.		$1.50
Bay City, Mich.		2.65
Beaver Falls, Pa.		1.20
Bellville, Ill.		2.80
Cairo, Ill.		3.30
Cairo, Ill., when destined beyond		2.80
Canal Dover, O.		1.40
Chicago, Ill.	$2.25	2.65
Chillicothe		2.00
Cincinnati, O.		2.10
Cleveland		1.65
Columbus		1.65
Crestline		2.00
Dayton, O.		2.00
Detroit	2.40	2.25
East St. Louis, Ill.		2.80
Evansville, Ind.		2.80
Ft. Wayne, Ind.		2.80
Greensburg, Ind.		2.35
Indianapolis, Ind.		2.35
Mayville, Wis.	2.60	2.80
Milwaukee, Wis.	2.55	2.75
Muskegon, Mich.		2.65
Peoria, Ill.		2.70
Richmond, Ind.		2.10
Shawnee, O.		1.70
Terra Haute, Ind.		2.65
Valley Furnaces		1.35
Wheeling, W. Va.		1.35
Oil City, Pa.		1.40
Buffalo, N. Y.	1.65	1.00
International Bridge, N.Y.		2.05
Suspension Bridge, N.Y.		2.15
Toledo	2.85	
Erie, Pa.		1.65
Shenango, Pa.		1.50
Harrisburg		1.80
South Amboy, N. J.		2.35
Montreal		3.35
Lackawanna, N. Y.		1.90
Emporium, Pa.		1.80
Boston		3.50
Baltimore		2.15
Louisville, Ky.		2.05
New York		2.85
Richmond, Va.		2.95

Big Coke Order.

W. A. Stone & Company of Uniontown have secured a coke order for 120,000 tons at $2.85 per ton.

Steel Ties.

The United States Steel Corporation is using steel ties in test in some of its mines.

AMERICAN METAL MARKET.

Review of the Week Displays Careful Buying and Selling.

Special to The Weekly Courier.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—The American Metal Market and Daily Iron and Steel Report says:

"Transactions in finished steel products have shown a decided decrease in the past week. Mills are fairly well sold up to the end of the year, and buyers are equally well covered. Mills state that buyers would like to take hold for first quarter or even first half, but that they wish to discourage such operations, and would prefer to sell customers only for their absolutely known requirements, for whatever distance ahead this might prove to be.

"Sheets and tin plates are being sold for delivery to April 1, but with considerable conservatism on the part of mills. Prospects for tin plate operations this year are excellent, and it is not improbable that tin plate production in the current quarter will prove the largest for any fourth quarter in the history of the trade; it will at any rate prove second to no year outside of the phenomenal year 1906.

"The indisposition of steel mills to name prices for first quarter on billets, sheet bars or rods is causing considerable concern to finishing mills, which are in many cases under pressure to sell their finished product. The general expectation seems to be for an advance, perhaps to $29 or $30 for sheet bars and $32 or $34 for rods.

"In some branches of the pig iron trade there has been a let up to the growth of enthusiasm. The eastern market has been somewhat disturbed by sales of 20,000 tons of basic at a 50-cent cut, to $18, delivered. It is suggested that this was speculative iron. There has been nothing big in steel making pig iron in the central west since the Cambria purchases, covering 60,000 tons or more. There are reports of cut prices on foundry iron made by Buffalo furnaces in New England territory, while in the central west foundry pig iron has been quiet, and promises to continue so until large purchases recently made are more nearly digested."

AT STANDSTILL.

Three Railroads Holding Off in Kanawha Field.

Considerable interest is being evinced by railroad men and coal operators over the disposition of the 5,700 acres of coal land owned by the Little Kanawha Syndicate, valued at about $6,000,000. It has been understood that the syndicate was owned by the Pittsburg & Lake Erie, the Pennsylvania and the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad companies, each holding a one-third interest, but yesterday it was learned, from authoritative sources, that the Pittsburg & Lake Erie holds 50 per cent., the Baltimore & Ohio and the Pennsylvania each 25 per cent.

Colonel J. M. Schoonmaker announced several days ago that there would be nothing to give to the public until Joseph Wood returned from abroad, but Mr. Wood is back and, it is understood, has visited the West Virginia property within the last week and that Colonel Schoonmaker also visited the property a few days before going to New York. While there he is said to have been in conference with Senator Stephen B. Elkins and Henry G. Davis. Mr. Wood also has been in New York and is now in Chicago, but is expected home soon. Yesterday there was a rumor here that a conference of the stockholders of the Little Kanawha has been held.

It is understood that the Pittsburg & Lake Erie hopes to develop the land and that within a few years new fields will be needed to provide tonnage as a feeder to the lines of the New York Central system. A representative of the Pittsburg & Lake Erie admitted this, but said the field would not be developed without the consent of the Baltimore & Ohio and the Pennsylvania, and that his company may find new sources for holding up its tonnage.

MAY BE BANNER YEAR.

Still a Chance That Monongahela May Keep Up Record.

There is still a chance that the present year may be the banner one in production and shipment of coal by water in the Monongahela valley. September shipments from the fourth pool amounted to 130,599 bushels. While this is considerably less than the same month of 1907, which was the record year in the history of river transportation, it is 2,604,000 bushels more than went out during September, 1908. The nine months of this year show shipments of almost 300,000 bushels more than the same period in 1908.

First Examinations.

The first examinations for mine bosses and superintendents was held at Charleston, W. Va., this week. Other examinations are scheduled throughout the State and are exciting general interest.

Green Indorsed.

William Green has been indorsed by District No. 5, United Mine Workers of America, for international president to succeed Thomas Lewis

COKE REGION IS PREPARED

To Supply All the Fuel That Furnaces May Require.

NOW IN ADVANCE OF FURNACES

Compared to Consumption There Appears to Be No Need for Fear as the Output Can Be Quickly Increased—The Price the Question.

Much discussion has taken place recently over the available coke supply of the Connellsville coke region, but for all demands it appears that it is sufficient. Taking all the available ovens numbering 35,559, which includes some ovens not now nor for some time in use at the ratio of 13 tons per week as their ability to produce we have over 500,000 tons of coke to our credit.

The best year in the coke trade noted over 22,000,000 tons and much of that time was a boom time. But taking it on a steady weekly basis with the above number of ovens in blast well on to 27,000,000 tons could be produced.

Going further into the analysis of figures with a possible production of, say over 25,000,000 tons, which is borne out was and already record tonnage of over 22,000,000 tons, it is possible with the ovens at hand and in construction to produce over 30,000,000 tons of coke per year. The question seems to devolve solely upon the consumers of coke whether there is a sufficient number of ovens or not.

Coke operators, generally, are in a position to add to their supply of ovens quickly and especially the large operators with large acreage. It must be borne in mind, too, that several big developments are planned. For instance the Isabella-Connellsville Coke Company, a $7,000,000 corporation is preparing to develop a large acreage. The Tower Hill Connellsville Coke Company and the Thompson-Connellsville Coke Company, forming a great mutual interest is in line to keep up with the trend of business.

The Lower Connellsville coke region is yet filled with a great acreage and development on a large scale could easily be made. The question really is do the furnaces need a greater protective supply than they have at the present time?

Shrewd operators are not making a mad effort to work out their coal in order that the furnaces may get an over abundant supply. With a limited oven capacity a limited tonnage may be produced, but if the coal is not taken out it is always a safe proposition as it still remains valuable. The taxes and interest on the property may amount to a considerable sum, but each year as has been the history of the Connellsville vein of coking coal, it has increased in value.

The needs of the furnaces are being supplied right regularly, the only element that enters into the question is whether the consumer is willing to pay the price demanded by the manufacturer. If he is he will get his supply of coke.

Operators are more careful now than they used to be. They are jealous of their coal and do not like to see it go at less than the high market price. One prominent operator speaking of the situation, pertinently remarked: "Coke should be worth all of $4 a ton all the time. Take the land valuations, the taxes, the increased cost of operation and the chances that an operator runs and there is no reason why with a practically cornered market in a world wide known product a handsome profit should not be made. Coke can't be made any more for a $1. When it is less than $2 it is a sacrilege to sell it. I don't think that there is any possibility of the furnaces running out of coke, provided they pay the price, but we have gotten together a little better and we are prepared to hold out a little more strongly for what we really want in the way of a price for our coke."

BLACK POWDER'S DANGER.

Is Demonstrated to Operators and Miners Satisfaction.

That the use of black powder should be discontinued in the mines was demonstrated this week to the evident satisfaction of mine inspectors and members of the local and national executive boards of the United Mine Workers of America. The destructive power of the black powder was shown during the demonstrations of various explosives at the Government testing station by the experts of the United States Geological Survey, which is under the supervision of Prof. J. C. Roberts. The tests made this week were under the direction of Clarence Hall. The State has ordered the discontinuance of the use of the black powder and has ordered the use of "permissable" explosives. The miners have objected to the use of the new explosives because they assert that their earning powers are lessened. But the necessity of discontinuing the use of black powder was made evident this week and may result in the miners and operators agreeing on a new wage scale which will compensate the miners for the use of the permissable explosives. The miners' argument has been for a wage scale on the run-of-mine basis with the new explosives.

That it is the ignition of mine dust following the explosion of a shot of black powder that does most of the damage in the many mine explosions in which hundreds have met their death was shown. After the shot with the black powder the dust in the gallery from which the shot was fired was found to be in charred lumps. President Francis Feehan, district head of the United Mine Workers of America, walked into the gallery shortly after the shot had been fired, and after the smoke had cleared away he remarked, "The odor in here is just like that in a mine following an explosion."

Tests were made with all the explosives known as "permissable" as well as with black powder. The first test was that with Coalite. This test was highly successful and satisfactory to all who witnessed it. The gallery into which the shot was fired contained a large quantity of coal dust, but there was no explosion of the dust and consequently no flame issued from the gallery. The next test was with an explosive known as Carbonite No. 2, and it was fired with a result similar to that of the Coalite. There was no explosion of the dust and no flame issued from the gallery.

The interest of the miners and Chief Mine Inspector David J. Roderick was centered next in the shot with black powder which has been in use in the mines of the country for years and which is still being used in many. About three-fourths of a pound of the explosive was used in this test and when the signal was given and the shot was fired there was a sound like a loud clap of thunder or the report of a monster cannon. To the consternation of the miners every door on the top of the gallery was blown open and a red flame shot into the air. The flame extended through the entire 100 feet of the gallery and to the backstop at the front of the huge tunnel, which is 50 feet away. As explained before the dust ignited and was found in a charred condition. The smoke that accompanied the explosion was dense, and it was several minutes before it cleared away. While the smoke was the thickest an attache of the testing station wearing a helmet entered the gallery and went to the extreme end, a distance of 100 feet. He left the gallery a few minutes later apparently unaffected by the dense smoke. This was to demonstrate how the work of rescue in the mines can be carried on under modern and scientific methods.

KENTUCKY COAL.

Prominent Local Operators Will Use It for Coking Purposes.

If the plans of several local coke operators mature a company to be known as the Mitchell Coke Company will be organized for the development of coal land in Pike county, Kentucky, that will probably be purchased. T. J. Mitchell, E. D. Fulton and others have secured an option on several thousand acres, part of which will be taken. It is the intention of those interested to build 50 ovens of the Mitchell type which will be followed by the erection of a large plant.

A car load of coal mined in that district was brought here recently and tested at Revere. It made coke that was pronounced satisfactory by one of the most reliable coke men in the Connellsville region.

MANY ITALIANS

Coming to the Coke Works of the Connellsville Region.

Superintendents of coke plants are noting the fact that many Italians are coming to the coke plants instead of Slavs and Hungarians. In recent years the manning of the coke plants by Hungarians has been giving way to Italians and this year's influx is greater than ever.

The Hungarian as a rule wants to be a miner instead of work upon the yards. Superintendents say that less than 50 per cent. of the old workmen have not returned this year but that many Italians are coming in each day.

OUTLAY $100,000,000.

Iron and Steel Companies to Spend That Sum in 1910.

Approximately $100,000,000 will be expended by various iron and steel companies for new plants in 1910, according to estimates. Of this amount $15,000,000 will be expended by the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company. Expenditures of the other companies will be: United States Steel Corporation, $35,000,000; Republic Iron & Steel Company, $6,500,000; Bethlehem Steel Company, $6,000,000; miscellaneous, $15,000,000.

Taylor Selected.

Samuel A. Taylor was elected third vice President by the American Mining Congress in session at Goldfield, Nevada. He is a Pittsburger.

HOSPITAL FOR FOREIGN WOMEN.

Superintendents and Doctors Endeavor to Save Babies.

LIVES LOST BY IGNORANCE

Children They Say Come Into the World and Take Their Own Chances—Although Mothers Are Loving, Proper Care is Lacking.

One of the important topics in the coke region the past few weeks has been that of caring for the children that come into the world on American soil. It is a notorious fact that the birth rate among foreigners is extremely high, while the mortality is appalling.

Lack of care and ignorance are said to be the causes of so many deaths of infants. The little ones come most regularly and the doctors do all in their power to care for them, but frequently there is no family provision.

Since the new health laws and regulations were laid down by Commissioner of Health Dixon it has just been possible to learn of the large number of infants that die monthly at the coke works. The system is not in perfect working order, but it has brought the doctors and the superintendents to a realization of what is going on.

One physician who is well known in the coke district, is advocating a maternity hospital. He believes that if it were possible to have some central point where it would be easy of access to send the women in time of their troubles many lives annually would be saved. "It is possible," he says, "to treat them properly when the child arrives, but it is not possible for the doctor to remain with them until all danger is over. A child needs it greatest care at its birth. We leave the houses and for weeks the woman is unattended as well as the child. What we most need is some place where mother and child can get proper care and attention until both are out of danger. These foreign children are naturally strong, but it is only a question whether they live or die under the conditions that they come into this world. No better or more charitable institution could be instituted in the Connellsville coke region than a hospital to care for these women and these little newcomers."

"Why some of these people don't know what ice is," said a superintendent when asked about the situation. "We try to do the best we can for them, but there are many things that could be provided. If you go around through the company houses you will see many babies feeding upon sour milk. Their mothers don't know any better. They do not know anything about ice, nor do many of them know how to care for a baby. I'll bet you that you will find a little tacker less than a year old doing for himself, the mother in the wash tub or cooking in the back yard. She is even ill yet, while the baby is growing weaker every day.

"Every company, almost, has its own special doctor, and there are complaints about the price paid monthly, but the physician at a small coke works, even is kept constantly busy, and the most of his business is confined to treatment of children. He gives the medicine but the natural care is lacking, many of the foreign mothers being ignorant of what is necessary. The lack of good, pure, wholesome milk is another cause for many children becoming sick and eventually dying."

MAKING A RECORD.

Testing Station at Leisenring Doing Splendid Work.

More than ordinary interest is being taken in the United States Testing Station at Leisenring by the miners of the Connellsville coke region. The testing station, while not having all the requirements necessary for a large number of men, is accomplishing good work.

The use of the safety helmet is being demonstrated almost daily by the engineers, and instead of operating at a single plant the operations are being carried on at various plants of the Frick Coke Company. A recent test of inexperienced men was made at the old McClure works and proved most satisfactory.

The men are gathered together and taken to any plant that the engineers see fit to take them into. They often times do not know their destination and pass through workings that they never before saw. It is believed that this will develop a large number of mine experts who will be available at all times in case of disaster.

Car Famine Reported.

It is reported that a car famine prevails at Baltimore.

CONNELLSVILLE REGION NOTES

After an excursion through the West Virginia coal and coke regions Albert Freidsam has returned to Connellsville He has been on a pit post selling tour and reports that the Preston County Coal & Coke Company is erecting 20 additional ovens at Cascade along the Morgantown and Kingwood railroad The company is owned principally by Uniontown people L W Fogg being one of the chief stockholders

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W H. Clingerman general superintendent of the H C Frick Coke Company is erecting a large new house in Scottdale The little Clingermans have been accumulating rapidly and more house room is essential

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Congressman George H Huff of Westmoreland county and party arrived home from Europe this week Mr Huff is the chief owner of the Keystone Coal & Coke Company The trip was taken chiefly in the interest of Mr Huff's health and it is stated that he has improved wonderfully

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Among the charters granted this week was one for the Stauff Coke Machinery Company It is to be capitalized at $10 000 D B Stauff of Scottdale, is treasurer of the company and the directors are composed of himself and the following Sue M Stauff of Scottdale J C Bryson Menallentown township Fayette county Pa

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It is probable that additional ovens will be erected at Republic as a result of the announcement of that company that $2 000 000 will be expended in the erection of a new plant at Youngstown Republic employes are noting the movement with great interest

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Curtis Parker eldest son of Charles Parker of Pittsburg auditor for the H C Frick Coke Company is at Standard helping out Chief Clerk Frank Mechling, who is seriously handicapped by the loss from his force of Dempsey Stairs of Mt Pleasant, who is ill with typhoid fever

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It is said that the Pennsylvania railroad is preparing to double track its Youghiogheny branch running from Irwin to Gratztown in order to take in the coal fields opened up between the points

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The Mt Pleasant Journal warmly congratulates John W Boileau upon the abandonment of the coke merger plans and severely criticises operators for not taking an interest in a project that would have been valuable to them It says after quoting Mr Boileau's circular calling off the proposition

There is much of good common sense in what Mr Boileau has to say for without doubt a consolidation of the independent coke interests would be of much mutual benefit and the only trouble seems to have been that some of the would-be members asked too much for their properties

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The old Rider gas well has been producing gas for the past 22 years It is estimated that it has produced gas at the rate of 4,000 000 feet per day and is the most famous in the State

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A visitor here this week was W H Cover He is secretary of the Kingwood Lumber Company now developing a large tract of lumber near Kingwood W Va, in which Richard Caldwell is interested

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The Moreland Coke Company selling agents for a number of Connellsville plants announces that C R Wilson is to be manager of their Uniontown office Mr Wilson was formerly in the employ of the Jones & Adams Company of Chicago He has also been connected with several of the large independent concerns in the coke fields and is considered a very capable young man

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The Shamrock Coal Company of Welsh W Va with chief works in Logan county has been incorporated with a capital stock of $17 000 and $1 700 paid in The incorporators are P J and J S Riley of Halsville M J Riley, A Z Litt and R R Smith of Welch Graham Coal & Coke Company of Morgantown with chief works in Marshall county Capital stock $ 00 000 with $70 paid in The incorporators are F M Everly of Morgantown W Va W J Johnston George G Gans of Uniontown

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The Republic Iron & Steel Company reports that it is still short of men Herman Wolf yard boss is firing the ovens as quickly as he can secure diggers and yard men but the men are very scarce Superintendent D L Ainsley has been scouting around for men almost continuously and has been successful in picking up a few It is hoped by the officials that they can get all in blast as quickly as possible. A good addition to the plant is hoped for this week

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Proposals will be received for sinking an air shaft at Banning No 2 mine of the Pittsburg Coal Company Whitsett Pa located on the Thomas Christ tract situate in Perry township Fayette county to have an approximate depth of 340 feet Size of shaft will be 18' 18"X13 feet and to be equipped with stairway Detailed plans and specifications can be seen and blank proposals had at office of chief engineer eighth floor Hussey building Pittsburg Trust company bond to the amount of $1 000 will be required

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All trains bound to the Southern end of the county are daily crowded with foreigners The majority of them are men but many women are seen in the ranks The afternoon Pennsylvania train is particularly well loaded with these newcomers

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"Not in" is the sign displayed on many coke operators doors these days The majority of the operators are spending their time at the coke works threshing out the details of operation besides it feels rather good to be back in the harness after a long lay up and the owners are becoming enthusiastic

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The condition of Frank Spittler who was injured in an accident in Davidson shaft two weeks ago remains the same at the Cottage State hospital He has a broken back

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H C Frick has secured options on a vast amount of coal land along the Chicago & Eastern Illinois and it was stated yesterday that the United States Steel Corporation was again negotiating for the purchase of the line It is understood that Mr Frick will turn all the coal land between Danville and Ferre Haute over to the Steel Corporation when the latter consummates the deal for the railroad The coal will be used in the new plant at Gary Indiana several days ago a party of capitalists said to represent the J J Hill interests inspected the Chicago & Eastern Illinois but it is hoped yesterday that the Steel Corporation has held an option on the railroad property for some time The Steel Corporation is operating several large mining plants along that road and has been turning a great deal of tonnage over to the Chicago & Eastern Illinois Friction over the handling of this tonnage is said to be responsible for the sale of the road

NOTES FROM OTHER REGIONS.

The Pittsburg & Westmoreland Coal Company has resumed operations at Claridge affecting several hundred miners

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It is claimed in the Irwin Greensburg field that a record breaking output was made during August but no figures are made to verify the statement.

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Elias Phillips of Dubois a State mine inspector says The mining business is gradually getting better I have been all through Western Pennsylvania and prospects are encouraging for a good year One of the greatest set backs has been the difficulty between the men and the operators in regard to using safety explosives You know the men claim the safety powder breaks up the coal and therefore as they do not get paid for all that is screened out it lowers the wages

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President Thomas L Lewis denies that there is any discord in the ranks of the mine workers. He says the union has now a membership of 385 747

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The Pittsburg Buffalo Company has increased its working force at the Big Hazel mine at Canonsburg The production will be brought up to 500 tons per day

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The Pennsylvania Railroad Company is calling upon other roads for rolling stock it being claimed that every car belonging to the company is busy

TRESPASSING

On the Railroads Cause of Great Loss of Life

Trespassing on railroad property in violation of the law, has been responsible for the deaths of 47 416 people in the United States in the last 10 years In the same period more than 50 000 trespassers were injured It is in view of these facts that many of the important railroads have determined to redouble their efforts to secure in this country that rigid enforcement of the law against trespassing which in England has reduced the practise—and accidents to trespassers—to a minimum

The number of people killed while trespassing on railroads has been increasing every year In 1898 4 062 trespassers lost their lives on American railroads five years later the number was 5 000 and in 1907 the number killed was 5 712—more than 15 a day These figures are taken from the annual reports of the Interstate Commerce Commission Figures compiled by the Pennsylvania railroad alone show that 463 trespassers lost their lives on that systems lines in 1899 781 were killed in 1904 while in 1907 the number reached 915 —an average of almost three for every business day in the year In the 10 years prior to January 1 1909 exactly 7 240 people who were on the Pennsylvania's right of way in wilful violation of the law and in spite of thousands of warning signs along the railroad were killed In addition during the first six months of this year 285 trespassers were killed

It is not only tramps who are killed and injured while trespassing—though thousands of them lose their lives in his way every year—but also men of the laboring class factory workmen their wives and children who use railroad tracks as thorough fares This practise gives added significance to the figures from the Pennsylvania system the tracks of which lined with factories run through the densest industrial sections through territory which holds more than one half of the population of the United States Od these tracks and adjacent property over 11 000 trespassers were arrested in 1908

The alarming death roll from trespassing on railroad property which from 1899 to 1909 was nearly four fifths of that suffered by the entire Union Army in all of the battles of the Civil War, is every year charged up to the railroads even though these people are killed because of their violation of the law, and under conditions over which the railroads have no control

The cooperation of State and county authorities has been solicited but actual punishment of persons violating the laws forbidding trespassing on railroads private property has been infrequent The cost of imprisonment has deterred the local courts from holding those arrested while trespassing on railroad property The practise of walking on railroad tracks has been growing constantly and the number of people killed and injured increases with it.

STATE RAILROAD BOARD

Meets at Uniontown to Settle Some Disputes

UNIONTOWN Oct 1?—For the first time since it was created the State Railroad Commission composed of Judge Nathaniel Ewing of Uniontown John A Boyd of Philadelphia and Charles N Manu of Harrisburg accompanied by Secretary H S Calvert is in Uniontown today

The Commission arrived here at 1 45 and was entertained at dinner at the Country Club by Judge Ewing The members were at Smithfield investigating the complaint of Game Warden Ralph Ross who kicked vigorously against the Baltimore & Ohio railroad for abandoning passenger service on the Smithfield & Masontown branch about a year ago This service has since been partially restored one train a day being run in each direction

LIST OF COKE OVENS IN

The Connellsville District

With Their Owners, Address and Ovens in Blast Corrected to Saturday, Oct. 9, 1909.

Total Ovens	In Blast	Name of Works	Name of Operators	P O Address
701	299	Acme	W J Rainey	New York, N Y
8	80	Acme	Penn Coal Co	Uniontown
577	290	Adelaide	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
502	92	Alverton No 1	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
104	104	Alverton No 2	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
90	90	Alice No 1	Cambria Steel Co	Dunbar
595	300	Luggsley	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
153	82	Beatty	Mt Pleasant Coke Co	Greensburg
120	40	Bethany	Majestic Coke Co	Uniontown
300	300	Bliner	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
86	74	Bourne	Wharton Furnace Co	Uniontown
120	120	Bryer	Mt Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
210	6	Brinker on	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
314	120	Bricker	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
10	10	Brush Run	Brush Run Coke Co Limited	Mt. Pleasant.
960	240	Calumet	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
[illegible]	—	Carbon	Keystone Coal & Coke Co	Greensburg
82	32	Carolyn	Peerless Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
907	300	Central	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
81	31	Chester	L A Humphreys & Co.	Scottdale
100	100	Clare	Clare Coke Co	Greensburg
108	—	Clarissa	James Cochran Sons Co	Dawson
170	170	Coalbrook	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
400	400	Collier	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
400	100	Continental No 1	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
93	93	Continental No 2	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
300	300	Continental No 3	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
120	120	Crossland	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
333	333	Davidson	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
40	—	Dexter	J R Stauffer & Co	Scottdale
230	230	Dorothy	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
50	—	Dunn	Dunn Connellsville Coke Co	Brownsville
10	10	Ellen No. 1	Wheel Coke Co	Uniontown
60	60	Ellen No 2	Wheel Coke Co	Uniontown
80	60	Elizabeth	Unity Connellsville Coke Co	Greensburg
218	218	Elm Grove	W J Rainey	New York, N Y
48	—	Enterprise	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
180	120	Fort Hill	W J Rainey	New York, N Y
—	—	Foundry	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
50	50	Franklin	Lincoln Coal & Coke Co	Scottdale
10	—	Frick	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
101	101	Gilmore	Gilmore Coke Co.	Uniontown
402	161	Grace	W J Rainey	New York, N Y
300	300	Hecla No 1	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
400	400	Hecla No 2	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
300	300	Hecla No 3	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
50	50	Hunter	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co	Marentown
150	50	Henry Clay	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
50	—	Home	Stauffer & Wilson	Scottdale
300	300	Hostetter	Hostetter-Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
100	40	Humphrey	Bessemer Coke Co	Pittsburg
250	250	Juniata	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
20	—	Junction	Marietta Garrier Coal & Coke Co	Connellsville
396	396	Kyle	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
500	500	Leisenring No 1	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
500	500	Leisenring No 2	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
504	400	Leisenring No 3.	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
308	308	Leith	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
227	227	Lemont No 1	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
350	350	Lemont No 2	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
20	20	Little Sunshine	King Coke Co	Uniontown
32	32	Love	Connellsville-Mutual Coal & Coke Co	Scottdale
45	—	Madison	United Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
40	40	Magee	Magee Coke Co	Uniontown
98	85	Mahoning	Cambria Steel Co.	Dunbar
510	450	Mammoth	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
400	400	Marguerite	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
20	20	Marion	Marion Coke Co	Udell Pa
40	40	Northube	Northern Connellsville Coke Co.	Connellsville
165	165	Morgan	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
200	200	Mt Braddock	W J Rainey	New York, N Y
100	100	Mt Pleasant	Mt Pleasant Connellsville Coke Co	Greensburg Pa
40	40	Mullen	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
105	105	Mutual	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
32	32	Myers	Brownfield Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
323	323	Nellie	Brown & Cochran	Dawson
252	252	Oliphant	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
328	328	Oliver No. 1	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
400	400	Oliver No. 2.	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co	Pittsburg
300	300	Oliver No. 3.	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
200	80	Painter	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
489	262	Paul	W J Rainey	New York, N Y
25	—	Pennsville	Pennsville Coke Co	Pennsville
15	—	Percy	Percy Mining Co.	Percy
400	100	Phillips	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
199	92	Rainey	W J Rainey	New York, N Y
446	446	Redstone	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
600	400	Revere	W J Rainey	New York, N Y
26	26	Sappington	Shannon Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
110	110	Semet-Solvay	Dunbar Furnace Co	Dunbar
42	—	Shannon	Shannon Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
36	36	Shirey	South Fayette Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
448	448	Shoaf	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
525	525	Southwest No 1	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
252	200	Southwest No 2	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
206	100	Southwest No 3	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
151	120	Southwest No 4	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
61	61	Spring Grove	Cochran Bros.	Dawson
901	700	Standard	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
50	—	Sterling No. 2.	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
166	113	Stewart	Stewart Iron Co.	Uniontown
111	4	Summit	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
40	40	Thomas	Wheel Coke Co.	Uniontown
66	40	Tip Top	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
464	464	Trotter	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
32	—	Tyrone	American Coal Mining Co.	Pittsburg
70	—	Union	W J Rainey	New York, N Y
350	350	United	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
261	100	Valley	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
80	80	Veteran	Vetteran Coke Co.	Greensburg
200	100	White.	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
352	352	Whitney	Hostetter Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
300	300	Wynn	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
500	500	Yorkman	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
240	240	Youngstown	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg

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WELCOME RAINS DO MUCH GOOD

Some Coke Plants Were Relieved of Threatened Water Famine.

FARMERS GREATLY BENEFITTED

Wheat Just Planted Was in Sad Need of Rain and Streams That Were About Dry Are Again Running With Water.

For once the coke operators and the agriculturists are rejoicing together. The general public and the taxpayers can also rejoice, for the heavy downpour of rain Monday did much good everywhere.

The rain set in about midnight, but it ceased for a couple of hours and resumed again this morning about 4 o'clock. It came down in a steady stream after this hour, and all surface streams supplying coke plants were replenished and a water shortage is not now feared by the coke companies. Many small plants were in serious danger of having their water cut off entirely and a few coke towns throughout the county were in danger of a water famine for domestic use.

With the farmers the heavy rainfall was wanted badly on account of the wheat crop. A larger acreage than formerly was planted this year, owing to the almost total failure of the corn crop. It has been in the ground only a short time and the rain will make it sprout early, insuring a good, healthy stock in time for the winter weather. It is estimated that many thousands of dollars worth of good was occasioned by the downpour.

With the hunting season at hand and the annual period for mountain fires the rain also had a beneficial effect. It helped the hunter as it dampened the leaves and will permit him going through the forests in a stealthy manner. It will also prevent for many weeks the forest fires which were so costly to Fayette and Somerset counties last year as the leaves will retain the dampness for weeks. Altogether the good soaking wetness that fell in Western Pennsylvania this morning was generally valuable.

The volume of water in the Yough and Casselman rivers and Indian Creek was noticeably increased by last night's and today's rain.

SOME COKE VIEWS

Advanced by Reviewing Courier Statistics For Years.

The American Metal Market.

In the past two days we have adverted to some of the conditions involved in the Connellsville coke situation. The rise in prices has been extremely rapid and doubts are entertained as to the adequacy of the supply the coming winter and spring, with the iron industry promising to run at close to its full capacity, involving therefore consumptive requirements beyond all precedent. It was promised that in the present installment some notes would be made on the labor supply.

To sum up the position briefly, it may be said that in the first half of 1907, when the Connellsville coke industry was under fairly full pressure, there was an average of a trifle over 34,000 ovens in existence, and a trifle over 32,000 ovens in blast. At present there are about 38,500 ovens in existence, with 32,500 in blast. These figures may be accepted as substantially correct. As to the 6,000 ovens in existence and not in blast opinions vary somewhat. There are perhaps 1,500 ovens whose coal seams are worked out. They cannot operate except with shipped coal, which is absolutely out of the question even with a labor shortage much less acute than the present. Then there are operations at which the coal seams are nearly worked out, and production is reduced, so that only a portion of the ovens can be operated. A 400-oven plant may have coal enough for only 200 or 300 ovens. Possibly another 1,500 ovens should be cut out on this account. That would bring us down to 35,500 ovens, actually available, with sufficient labor, or 3,000 idle which might run. Some of the idle ovens represent whole plants out of operation, while in other cases operations at a given plant are not full. The output of 3,000 additional ovens would be about 40,000 tons weekly. The 32,500 ovens in operation are making somewhat less than they could make with an ample labor supply, perhaps as much as 5 per cent, which would be 20,000 tons a week. Altogether, an adequate labor supply might give 50,000 tons a week more output. By a somewhat different process of reasoning, using the views of other authorities, we reached about the same net result 50,0000 tons a week to be added with sufficient labor furnished.

Labor conditions in the region have not improved in the past few days. There are many more new men, but they are migratory. A case is related of a teamster who moved a miner's effects ten miles, from one house to another, and made a return trip of exactly the same character, moving miner No. 2 from house No. 2 to house No. 1.

Early last year there became effective an Austro-Hungarian law which forbids the emigration of a man having dependents unless he secures government permission by leaving adequate provision for them. The operation of this law has kept at home men who returned to Hungary upon the recent depression. Migration to the Connellsville region has been retarded, besides, by the fact that many were incited to return, during the depression, by false reports of returning prosperity. They became chary, and have found profitable employment elsewhere.

We do not think there is room for question that much more coke can be produced if labor can be found. That the labor supply will increase there is no doubt, but whether it will increase sufficient is seriously to be questioned.

The supply can undoubtedly be increased by an advance in wages. The Frick Company always leads in wage changes. Will it make an advance? It has bought some coke already on this movement, when prices were relatively low. All signs point to its being forced to buy more coke, unless it can largely increase its production. The amount of coke the Steel Corporation would buy, however, would be a bagatelle to it, its operations being on so extensive a scale. It can afford to pay a fancy price, when the influence of dear coke is to advance prices of the finished products it sells. We should have the curious effect of low wages producing higher prices for finished products.

There is room for an advance in wages. While as a general proposition wages in the iron and steel industry are substantially the same as in 1907, coke wages are lower. There was a coke wage reduction January 1, 1908, at a time when practically no other reductions were made in the iron and steel and allied industries. The present scale is lower than the average of recent years. There are many jobs, but the mining rate is the most important, and the various scales have been fairly well proportioned to the mining rates. The price for "mining and loading room and rib coal," per 100 bushels, has been as follows in the various scales effective on the dates named:

March 1, 1900	$1.25
January 1, 1903	1.40
March 1, 1905	1.20
March 1, 1907	1.35
January 1, 1908	1.20

The present scale is substantially identical with that paid March 1, 1905, to March 1, 1907. In relation to the general level of prices in the iron and steel industry it may be sufficiently high, but in consideration of the comparison with other wages it may possibly be held to be too low. In the old days of "dollar coke" the present scale would have been considered outrageously high.

Of the past eight advances (there having been two reductions) seven were made January 1 or in March or April. One solitary advance was made towards the close of a year, that of October 1, 1895. Conditions then were somewhat similar to the present; there had been a rapid rise in prices and labor became scarce at a time when usually it becomes more plentiful. Present conditions are somewhat similar.

There is no reason to believe that an advance in wages has been seriously considered. Outside of that possibility, the balance of probabilities is that there will not be an increase in the labor supply sufficient to loosen up the supply of coke very materially.

NEW RIALROAD

Is Projected to the Lakes by Steel Interests.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., Oct. 13.—Josiah V. Thompson of Uniontown, will be here tomorrow to complete the purchase of 2,000 acres of coal land at Jarvisville, this county, through Chas. W. Swisher and others.

It is announced that Mr. Thompson has decided that he and others contemplate building a railroad from Uniontown up the Monongahela valley, through Harrison and Marion counties to connect with the Coal & Coke railroad near Sutton, so as to reach the Kanawha & Michigan road at Charleston, as well as the Virginia railroad, giving outlets to the lakes and tidewater.

Mr. Thompson owns more than 20,000 acres of coal land in this county and a larger area in Marion county.

The construction of the railroad, it is announced, will begin in the spring.

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Total Ovens.	In Blast.	Name of Works.	Name of Operators.	P. O. Address.
40	.....	Adah	Adah Coke Company	Uniontown
32	.....	Anica	Kaine & Wilkey Coke Co.	Uniontown
32	32	Annamyra	John R. Carothers	Uniontown
138	75	Atcheson	Republic Iron & Steel Co.	Gans
20	.....	Baxter Ridge	Baxter Ridge Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
160	160	Bridgeport	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
470	470	Brier Hill	Brier Hill Coke Co	Brier Hill
20	.....	Browning	Browning Coke Co	Uniontown
50	50	Brownsville	Brownsville Coke Co	Brownsville
426	426	Buffington	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
30	10	Burchinal	Smithfield Coal & Coke Co.	Smithfield
205	122	Century	Century Coke Co	Brownsville
40	40	Champion	Champion Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
24	24	Coffman	South Fayette Coke Co.	Uniontown
500	500	Colonial No. 1	Colonial Coke Co	Pittsburg
30	.....	Colonial No. 2	Colonial Coke Co.	Pittsburg
156	40	Colonial No. 3	Colonial Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	300	Colonial No. 4	Colonial Coke Co.	Pittsburg
142	110	Cyrilla	Rocks Coal & Coke Co.	Masontown
120	56	Crystal	Sackett Coal & Coke Co	Smithfield
250	250	Dearth	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
162	162	Donald No. 1	Consolidated Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
240	240	Donald No. 2	Consolidated Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
30	30	Dorothea	Iron City Coal & Coke Co.	Pittsburg
44	44	Dorothy	Jacobs Creek Coke Co.	Uniontown
52	.....	E. Connellsville	E. Connellsville Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
500	500	Edenborn	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
149	119	Edna	Waltersburg Coke Co	Uniontown
80	80	Elsinor	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Masontown
32	32	Emery	South Fayette Coke Co.	Uniontown
200	150	Fairbank	Struthers Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
32	16	Finley	Jas. Byrne & Co.	Scottdale
400	400	Footedale	H. C. Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
150	150	Francis No. 1	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co	Masontown
58	60	Francis No. 2	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Masontown
80	80	Fretts	South Fayette Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
31	26	Garwood	Dunlap-Connellsville Coke Co.	Connellsville
58	58	Genuine	Genuine Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
459	405	Griffin Nos. 1 & 2	Bessemer Coke Co.	Pittsburg
100	100	Herbert	Connellsville Central Coke Co	Pittsburg
90	90	Hoover	James H. Hoover	McClellandtown
38	24	Hope	Hope Coke Co	Uniontown
100	.....	Hustead	Hustead-Semans Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
200	156	LaBelle	Labelle Coke Co	Labelle
220	220	Lafayette	Atlas Coke Co	Helen
462	462	Lambert	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
516	516	Leckrone	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	400	Lincoln	Lincoln Coal & Coke Co	Scottdale
250	250	Low Phos.	Connellsville Central Coke Co.	Pittsburg
376	.....	Marion	Southern Connellsville Coke Co.	Connellsville
191	132	Martin	Woodside Coke Co	Pittsburg
202	202	McKeefrey	McKeefrey Coal Co.	Leetonia, Ohio
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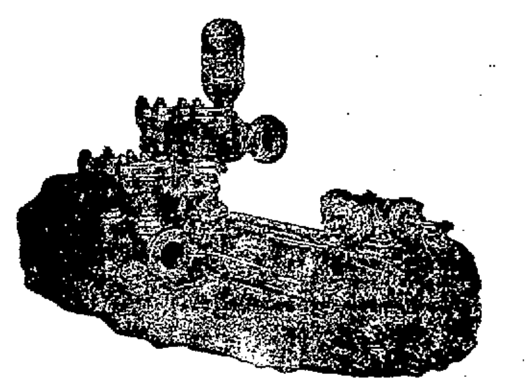

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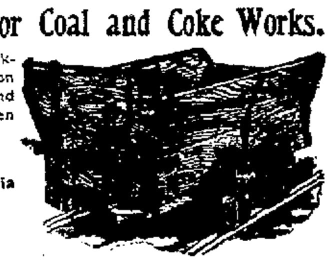

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THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN FAYETTE.

The political situation in Fayette county is getting interesting especially to Republicans who are in the habit of supporting and voting the Republican ticket

Interest clusters around the judicial fight but the storm center is within the Democratic party Some of its prominent members are engaged in the scientific operation of skinning each other's political hides from their respective political anatomies They are telling tales of political iniquity quite at variance with the insistent claims of superior Democratic virtue hitherto advanced It is said that honest men get their dues when a certain other class of people fall out, and it is certain that when Fayette county Democrats fall out Fayette county Republicans hear some mighty entertaining political gossip

Ex Candidate Dumbauld tells us that Candidate Umbel is a briber and a bad man Candidate Umbel tells us that Ex Candidate Dumbauld is a grafter and a grabber, and both tell their stories with a wealth of detail and a reckless abandon which indicate that the Democratic party is in the throes of an internecine war which will not end until the polls close in November and hardly then Both men have stood high in the counsels of their party they have been political partners they evidently know much that has never been told before

If we are to believe all they tell us it is evident that there is little or no virtue left in Fayette county Democracy once reputed honest though sometimes mistaken and consequently no good reason why any good Republican should support any ticket but his own In this connection Chairman Johns of the Republican County Committee, has issued this notice to Republicans

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> These reports are utterly false and no credit should be given them The party is united all the officials and workers are heartily for the whole ticket and every Republican is hereby urged to vigorous effort to carry the county, for the entire ticket State and county by a handsome majority

The Republican ticket is composed of good men of high reputation It is as follows

JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT Robert von Moschzisker
AUDITOR GENERAL, Arthur E Sisson
STATE TREASURER Jeremiah A Stober
JUDGE OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, Alfred E Jones
POOR DIRECTOR, Oliver J Garwood
JURY COMMISSIONER William F Kennedy

It is not alleged that any of these men secured their nominations by improper methods They compose the Republican ticket and are well worthy of united Republican support We know of no reason why they should not, each and every one of them receive that support

The Courier has not thought it necessary to vilify abuse and libel any portion of the Democratic ticket We leave that for the Democrats to do and they seem to be making a thorough job of it As a Republican paper we stand with all good Republicans for the Republican ticket the whole ticket and nothing but the ticket

We trust this explanation will be sufficient for the few who have indulged in the suspicion that The Courier was not loyal to the ticket because it has not spent the whole summer in emitting loud noises Our support of the Republican ticket will be none the less sincere and we believe none the less effective, for being decent and dignified though we must be understood as distinctly disclaiming any intention of criticising the policies of other papers with whose methods we have no quarrel and for which we are in nowise responsible

WEST VIRGINIA'S GAS AND COAL TAXATION

The Johnstown Democrat, esteemed contemporary and able exponent of the Single Tax Free Silver Free Trade and other doctrines peculiar to the Bryan Democracy agrees with us concerning the unwisdom and injustice of the proposed West Virginia tax on natural gas consumption, but as might perhaps be expected, it takes a very different view of our remarks concerning the taxation of West Virginia coal The Democrat says

> There is much more sense in the West Virginia proposal to tax coal lands than in the one to tax the exports of natural gas The tax on coal lands if levied according to the market value thereof, will stimulate the production of coal while discouraging the monopoly of such natural opportunities BUT THE NATURAL GAS TAX WOULD HAVE NO SIMILAR EFFECT IT WOULD BE A TAX ON THE USE OF THE COMMODITY IT WOULD FALL UPON THE CONSUMER and its effect would tend to limit the consumption of the product
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> It is impossible to sympathize with the Connellsville Courier in its violent protest against the proposed tax on West Virginia coal lands Its protest is based chiefly on the fact that the tax would affect the interests of Pennsylvania speculators It is not the character of the tax so much as where it would hit that disturbs our Connellsville contemporary
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> But Pennsylvania speculators took their chances when they went into West Virginia They cannot plead the baby act When they bought West Virginia coal lands they did so with the full knowledge that these lands were subject to any tax the State might impose All land in all the States is bought on exactly the same basis and speculators cannot justly complain when the State decides to tax property less and monopoly more
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> This is West Virginia's proposition It has decided that it is poor business to tax industry and so to discourage it It believes that a tax on monopoly and privilege is not only more just, but infinitely more conducive to development and growth And this is the ground the State takes in proposing to lighten the burdens on production and increase them on monopoly and privilege
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> It is a pity that West Virginia does not apply the principle she proposes adopting in the case of coal lands to those yielding natural gas There is manifest injustice in taxing the output of her gas wells for THE TAX ON NATURAL GAS WILL BE PASSED ON BY THE PRODUCER TO THE CONSUMER DOUBTLESS WITH A GOOD PROFIT ADDED But if a tax be placed on the value of gas lands without regard to the improvements a very different effect will be noted Such a tax cannot be passed on for the reason that it takes a certain part of a monopoly value—a value already determined by a natural law—and so leaves only so much of that value in the hands of the owner Of course if the owner could ADD the tax to his value as the merchant adds a tariff to the price of his goods he could pass it along But he can't do this as any one must see at a glance It should be clear even to the most casual observer that if you take away a part of the monopoly value of a given opportunity there is no way of replacing it Monopoly value is determined by the demand for use This demand cannot be increased by a tax on that value Hence the tax must be paid by the owner and he cannot possibly recoup it If he could he would not care if the tax took the entire value annually
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> The tax on land values is like the tax on incomes in one respect It cannot be passed along That is why it is so immensely unpopular with certain people who are willing to pile on tariff taxes till they reach the sky If a man's income is $10 000 a year and Uncle Sam taxes it 10 per cent, it means that $1 000 is taken and $9 000 is left and there has never yet been devised a way of making the $9 000 total up $10 000 after the $1,000 was seized by the Government
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> The West Virginia proposals are worth watching The one is as bad as it can be and it ought to be defeated But the other is sound in principle and West Virginia will do herself and the country a great service by adopting it A tax on monopoly value —on the value of coal and other lands—would go far toward the solution of nearly all the social and economic problems of the day

The Democrat has, we fear not fully digested our remarks about the taxation of West Virginia coal lands Our protests have not been against the taxation of this form of property, but against undue discrimination on the part of the West Virginia authorities against nonresident owners of West Virginia coal lands As we have hitherto stated the Pennsylvania holders of West Virginia coal lands do not ask Special Favor but only Fair Play

We will not at this time enter into a discussion of the Single Tax, the Unearned Increment and the remainder of that particular family but we will say that the Pennsylvania coal land investments in West Virginia have never become Monopoly and Privilege, and are not yet subject to taxation as such under the peculiar plan of our esteemed contemporary There is no particular Privilege about owning West Virginia coal land and on the part of Pennsylvania investors there is no Monopoly West Virginia investors have holdings quite as general and quite as large

The objections of Pennsylvanians are not against Taxation but against Discrimination The disposition in West Virginia to advance the valuations of Pennsylvania holders and permit those of West Virginians to remain at the lower figures hitherto prevailing has become pronounced and it is against this that we have voiced the Pennsylvania protest We repeat that we do not ask Special Favor but only Fair Play

The proposed tax on natural gas consumption disclosed the purpose of the West Virginia government to shift the whole burden of its support upon the shoulders of a few chiefly citizens of other States It is estimated that the natural gas tax alone will be sufficient to run the State government on a much more liberal plan than it has been hitherto run and that 80 per centum of the tax will be paid by non residents It is not seriously pretended in West Virginia that the Gas Monopoly will pay the tax though the proposition was originally so labeled It is the manifest disposition on the part of West Virginians to make their neighbors pay all the taxes that has occasioned all the protests we have ever made concerning gas or coal land taxation in that State

The Democrat is undoubtedly correct in saying that the gas tax will be paid by the consumer doubtless with some profit added but it is a question whether the proposition of our contemporary to tax West Virginia gas lands would have the effect it claims The taxes and interest on coal lands have usually been added and in the end paid by the consumer Under ordinary circumstances and as a general proposition the same rule will apply to undeveloped gas lands if the assessor can find them

NON-PARTISAN AND BIPARTISAN JUDGES

A correspondent in a communication elsewhere printed inveighs against the non partisan judiciary as being a mere subterfuge of the minority Democratic party to get one of the judgeships of Fayette county He declares with but emphasis that if conditions were reversed the Democratic party would never consent to the election of a Republican judge and he points to Fayette county's political history to prove it

The non partisan judiciary idea was invented some years ago for the benefit of a Democratic candidate for judge It sounds like a fair proposition but to be entirely candid it is more sounding than sensible A non partisan judiciary is undoubtedly desirable but the plan of electing one Republican and one Democratic judge alternately does not mean a non partisan judiciary on the contrary it means a bipartisan judiciary It means, in short a division of the office between two political parties It is not such a reform as the people need It places the bench on a low or rather than a higher plane

The non partisan judiciary that is desirable from a public point of view is composed of judges elected for their ability and integrity with no regard whatever to their political affiliations judges who know no bias nor any party while dealing out justice

It is the duty of partisanship to support the party ticket but it is the duty of citizenship to support honest and well qualified men for office particularly for the judicial office and if any party shall at any time so far forget itself as to nominate a candidate who falls below these requirements the honest citizen no matter what his politics are is justified in voting against the candidate who does not measure up to the job and for the one who does

This is a matter for the serious determination of the voter It is a question which confronts the Republican voter of Fayette county at this particular moment and he should give it careful consideration If the ability and integrity and general fitness of the Republican candidate is established beyond a reasonable doubt the party loyalty of the voter should lead him to support his ticket If otherwise the voter is justified in splitting it

Alfred E Jones the Republican candidate for judge is represented as a candidate of ability and integrity and we have not seen the claim contested by the opposition We must assume therefore that he is a fit person for the position, in which event he is the proper candidate for Republican support

RAILROADS AND COAL DEVELOPMENTS

The revival of the West Virginia Connecting railroad project, in which J V Thompson of Uniontown is a leading figure, renews the suggestion several times made in these columns that the development of new coal fields does not always depend necessarily upon the community of railway interest

The community of coal and coke interest is sometimes big enough to do all its development work including the building and equipping of its required railroad facilities We recall the fact that when Henry C Frick was at the head of the Carnegie Steel Company he had trouble getting what he considered just rates on ores from the Lake ports He served notice that the rates would have to be made reasonable, or the company would build its own railroad to the Lakes The warning was unheeded until the railroad was constructed with a sullenness that almost gave some autocratic and domineering railway officials heart failure

J V Thompson and associates hold vast tracts of coal in Greene county and West Virginia Their interests are big enough to build railroads as well as to open coal mines, and when they are ready to open mines the community of railway interest had better not trifle with them but sit up and take notice

THE CANALIZATION OF THE YOUGH

The canalization of the Youghiogheny river is still a live topic in McKeesport and West Newton The boom for an appropriation for locks and dams either one or more, between those two towns was formally launched this week at a McKeesport mass meeting

The Yough river boomers perhaps do well to have some public meetings but when it comes to an appropriation they will find that their Congressmen have more influence at Washington than anybody else These Congressmen were all invited to the meeting but none of them came Perhaps they thought it wasn't necessary to deal out air when the subject was mostly concrete

The canalization of the Yough is not a dead subject in Connellsville We are still for it and nobody has done more for it at Washington than our own Representative in Congress but we realize that we are on the waiting list with no prospect of being taken from the shelf in the near future

We are consequently still on guard but we are making no desperate sorties

WHAT THE RAIN MEANS TO THE COUNTRY

The rain which came last night and which continues today will be a blessing to the country and especially to the Connellsville region which was dangerously near to damaging drouth

The streams and springs were all but dried up The waters of Indian creek were entirely diverted from the Youghiogheny watershed and much more of the Youghiogheny water was going to supply other localities If water conditions continue to grow worse from year to year in the same ratio as has characterized them in the past those responsible for this diversion will undoubtedly have their action called into question in the courts

This has not been done only because Connellsville has been fortunate enough to have always an excellent water supply and will doubtless continue to have it long after many communities will have suffered severely from the lack of it

Connellsville's excellent water supply however is one of her natural resources which her people should seek by every possible means to conserve

THE DEADLY RAILROAD FROG

The ordinarily inoffensive railroad frog has on numerous occasions proven itself to be a murderous trap for the feet of the unwary

The accident in the Baltimore & Ohio yards yesterday was only a repetition of many others of similar character and even more fatal results which have happened before some of them within the limits of Connellsville

Persons who walk the railroad tracks should be extremely careful to avoid setting their feet wedged or entangled with frogs or guard rails and persons who do not have to walk the tracks had better walk somewhere else

A Morgantown man argues very ably that J V Thompson's investments in West Virginia coal lands have been a great benefit to the State for the reason that they have enhanced coal values generally and distances a number of West Virginia holdings of large extent and longer standing than any of Thompson's which were bought at lower figures than those of the latest who came in and have been held for longer periods with no signs of development There are still some sane men left in West Virginia who do not want to drive foreign capital out of the State

The judicial contest looks more like a hell and fight than the non partisan judicial election

Chairman Johns has sounded the Republican keynote

The Uniontown Genius refers in a sere mor head to Horatio Seymour Dumbauld The Stillick township insurgent's middle name is not Seymour but Spurk and Spurks is just as good a Democratic name as Seymour

Death lurks in the electric wire and the electric wire lurks nearly everywhere throughout civilization

The railroad companies insist that when a damage case is settled it ought to stay settled but up in Somerset county they like to have another think

It is announced that Greene and Washington counties will be covered with a network of trolley lines reaching all their chief towns and industrial possibilities and the farmers generally welcome the project and are willing to give it right of way The farmers will no doubt be doubly willing if the lines will carry freight as well as passengers Such trolley lines would make the farmers practically independent of the steam lines The trolley interests are more eager for the industrial future of Greene county than the railroads seem to be

Sidewalk reform has invaded Smithfield

Dunmily says the Democratic primary was a Carnival of Crime Judicial primaries have something of a reputation in Fayette county but we never heard them described just in that way

The News says we are making undue insinuations about the immaculate Democracy On the contrary the insinuations were just about due They were not quite as bad as the Official Organ represents them to be though if the esteemed O O desires to put the shoe on it will perhaps be a fair fit

McKeesport gently hints that Congressman Dalzell will be held responsible for the Yough river appropriation This is putting it up to the member from Allegheny in her strong but not stronger perhaps than his position warrants

The Fayette county campaign bombs are exploding every now and then but up to date there have been no fatalities

Taft's weekly sermons indicate that the people may have spoiled a first class Preacher by electing him President

West Virginia is looking after its geology which means it is looking after its natural resources

Down in Vanderbilt some of the fiery Huns of the female persuasion are not afraid to shoot but they may be more timid about it when a few of them are given the limit of the law for such serious offenses

Rats are getting big enough and most of them ugly enough to kill

The royal blood of Europe is chasing the daughter of the head of the house of Gould The name sounds good to them

An English Admiral rode a fast American locomotive perhaps just to test his sea legs on land

Brownsville is running to clubs Clubs and diamonds are signs of prosperity hearts and spades indicate humbler stations with fewer joys but perhaps greater happiness

Connellsville is to have a lodge of Owls We have the Elks the Eagles and the Moose The animal family is growing rapidly It will be a great hunting ground for the Indians some day unless the animals keep close to cover and avoid getting there way The Happy Family will be happy as long as it refrains from being boisterous

The latest mine accident is far removed from the Connellsville region but the results were just the same

There's no use to quarrel over the relation of pasture lands to population when the census is so close at hand

Tammany has declared for Municipal Ownership There's nothing strange about that Tammany has always been for Ownership of everything Municipal in Manhattan

It looks like $3 coke for 1910

It begins to look as if the public would pay handsomely for those Arctic jaunts

Dunmily is said to have a little Red Book listing all who have said through the whole of the carnival of crime

The less influence a newspaper has the more prone it usually is to brag about its wonderful achievements in moulding public opinion

The Fayette county farmers will hold an agricultural institute meeting A college education may not be essential to farming but it is not hurt if the farmer can make up his mind to stick to it and the fact is that most farmers who go to college never get back to the farm But there is much valuable knowledge being issued by the Agricultural Departments of the State and National Government and the farmers ought to be intelligent enough to read this information and apply it understandingly

The Methodist ministers are getting ready to move again

Slate falls in the mines have been unusually numerous the past few weeks Miners should be particularly careful

The Connellsville Township Supervisors will complete the work of repairing the roads while the weather is good The example is a good one for all the second class townships or street making or paving The wise farmer knows enough to mend his roads when the sun shines

The Summit Hotel seems to have been just a trifle ahead of the times but progress is not good property to be abandoned and we trust that the present boom will carry it to a final and complete success

Monongahela river coal at Brownsville has been marked up almost as high as Klondike coke Coal but for present coke prices the coking coal will soon be marked up again It begins to look as if there were some mistakes made somewhere in the management of the proposed merge

Activity in the construction and extension of coke plants has been stimulated The future presents prospects of a demand that will tax the capacity of the Connellsville region

There are a great many kinds of bugs Some of them are destructive like the potato bug some disquieting like the bed bug some felicitous like the kissing bug but the worst bug of all is the humbug and Uniontown seems to have a few of them

Jerome has voluntarily joined the Down and Out Club

This is the season when the Climbers and the Chestnuts get together

Republicans Take Notice

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P A JOHNS Chairman Republican County Committee

CANDIDATES' VISIT TO UNIONTOWN.

They Had a Good Meeting Saturday Evening and Were Entertained

BY PROMINENT REPUBLICANS

Enjoyed a Visit to the Mountains on Sunday Afternoon—Senator Sisson Enthusiastic Over Outlook in the State

UNIONTOWN Oct 11—A good crowd greeted Senator A L Sisson of Erie and J A Stober of Lancaster candidates on the Republican ticket for Auditor General and State Treasurer respectively at Municipal Hall on Saturday evening

Few speeches are being made in the present campaign But the State organization has deemed it best to have the candidates make a tour of the State and get into personal touch with the voting rank and file There is an entire absence of issues in this campaign, and it is merely a matter of figuring up the Republican majority in the State

Leading Republicans from Connellsville and other sections of the county were present and they all paid their respects to the candidates Many of them stopped for a few minutes chat Messrs Sisson and Stober know how to meet men Each is strong forceful and direct and both have the happy faculty of making the men they meet feel perfectly at ease Some of the voters who spoke German found that Candidate Stober could accommodate them in that language to their very evident satisfaction

Senator Sisson is enthusiastic over the outlook in Pennsylvania He is a clean cut, able lawyer and statesman who has won distinction at the bar and eminence in the legislative halls of the Keystone State When asked how he found sentiment he stated that everything looked bright for the Republican ticket this fall But no matter how plain the sailing looked the organization was taking nothing for granted and it was thought best to keep in touch with the voters

I believe the people of the State are well satisfied with the record of the Republican party said Senator Sisson and that recognition will come with the election of the entire State ticket by the usual handsome Republican majorities We find wherever we have been that there is the utmost confidence in Governor Stuart that the people realize the State is in good financial shape that the wheels of government are moving along smoothly that the party is solidified that there are no insurgent movements and that there is no popular demand for a party change Then too the benefits of the Taft administration are making themselves felt in Pennsylvania and the people are beginning to realize that the Republican party has adopted the best tariff bill in the history of the country There is harmony in the party and the organization and the people are in perfect accord

THE EVANS CASE

Up for Hearing—Domestic Troubles Aired in Court

UNIONTOWN Oct 12—The most important case scheduled to come before the court this morning did not get up before the noon recess and as a consequence a large number of witnesses mostly women and children were disappointed It was the habeas corpus hearing brought by Charles L Evans of Dawson against his wife Ada Evans and to secure charge of his children The couple hail from Dawson and have three children Emma Jennie and Harry Last December the couple had a misunderstanding and Mrs Evans left with her children and took up her home with her father James W Williams of Dawson She has been making her home there ever since Evans alleges that he never did anything to cause her to leave and the testimony this afternoon promises to be interesting

An echo of the old 1904 County Home cases came up this morning when A L Mose who was a Poor Director at the time S D Newcomer was surcharged with $1 200 filed a petition to be relieved of any responsibility in connection with the surcharge Moser wants the judgment against him stricken from the records on the ground that he did not know of any of Newcomer's transactions

E Marshall was appointed administrator of the estate of G C Marshall with bond in the sum of $ 0 000 furnished by the Citizens Title & Trust Company of Uniontown as surety

The will of Asa Higgins late of Point Marion was filed for probate this morning He directs that $1,000 be reserved from his estate to erect a monument to the memory of himself, his wife and son in the Wolfe cemetery in Greene county His wife is still living and he directs that she shall receive the balance of the estate At the time of her death the money is to go to the Children's Aid Society of Uniontown

An order was made directing the release of Waverly Stark from jail He was convicted of desertion and non support at the September term of court and directed to pay $3 a week to his wife He refused to do so alleging that she was running around with other men The petition this morning was made by District Attorney Henderson who appeared to have knowledge that Mrs Stark had eloped to Ohio with another man

The county will pay Sheriff P A Johns $102 00 for the return of Bert Savage to jail A bail piece that was protecting Savage from being incarcerated had been surrendered some months ago and the court ordered that he be returned for sentence Sheriff Johns had to make an excursion into West Virginia and it was rather expensive but Savage is back in jail He is under conviction for larceny

Attorney J W Dawson was appointed master in the divorce proceedings growing out of domestic troubles between Elizabeth Hull and J W Hull

Attorney Frank P Cottom was appointed master in the divorce suit of Susan and Isaac Minerd

Joseph Tarker who three weeks ago filed his resignation as constable in Redstone township was allowed to withdraw it and continue as officer in that township

About 10 years ago Ed Spinner was sent to the Western penitentiary having been convicted in this county and today a commission in lunacy was appointed to inquire into his sanity The commission is composed of F D Hoggsett D E Bane and Dr T F Smith It is probable that he will be sent to Dixmont

A divorce was granted Carrie L Bitner from Edwin S Bitner on the grounds of unfaithfulness

I P Murphy was directed to pay his wife $3 per week on a non support and desertion charge

A petition was presented by Attorney R S Matthews on behalf of I W Rutter citing H A Crow to show cause why he should not release ownership of two lots purchased by Rutter at Sheriff's sale several weeks ago Rutter claims that he purchased the lots but that Crow refuses to relinquish ownership

HURT IN MINE.

Republic Miner Has Ribs and Collar Bone Broken.

Late Victor employed in the mines of the Republic Iron & Steel Company at Martin was caught by a fall of slate while at work in the mines Monday His collar bone is fractured and several ribs are broken His body is also bruised Mr Victor was formerly employed at Atcheson and is well known among the miners

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DEATHS.

Bridget A Purcell

Following a lingering illness of sugar diabetes Mrs Bridget A Purcell aged 1 years and 11 months died late Saturday afternoon at the home of her brother Thomas Logan on East Peach street Mrs Purcell's home is at Donora but for the past five months she had been at the home of her brother She had been in poor health for the past few years but her condition was not thought to be serious until a few days ago when there was a change for the worse in her condition

Deceased was a daughter of the late John and Margaret Costello Malloy, and was born in West Virginia When she was a small child the family moved to Leisenring No 1 About 1_ years ago she was married to James Purcell who for a short time was proprietor of the Hotel Haas Annex A few years ago Mr and Mrs Purcell and family went to Donora to make their future home Her parents are dead Mrs Purcell was widely known in Connellsville and vicinity and her untimely death came as a great shock to her many friends During the past few months she rallied and her friends and relatives were hopeful for her recovery Her husband and two children Margaret and John and the following brothers and sisters survive Thomas Mayme Julia Anna Malloy of Connellsville, and Patrick of Donora

Garrett Shipley

OHIOPYLE Oct 11—Garrett Shipley son of Jackson and Mary Shipley of Sugar Loaf who had for the past year been suffering from tuberculosis of the bowels passed away shortly after 4 o'clock Friday evening after several months intense suffering Mr Shipley had been a life long resident of that territory and his death will be keenly felt by his many friends as well as relatives who number many He is survived by three daughters Martha Bessie and Rebecca One daughter, Gertie is dead Funeral services were conducted by Rev A G Black of Confluence in the Johnson's Chapel Church and cemetery, Sunday afternoon Mr Shipley had reached the age of 7_ years

Miss Anna Johnston

Miss Anna Johnston aged 76 years eight months and 25 days died on Thursday at 12 15 o'clock after a lingering illness at the home of her uncle Cooper Patterson on Sixth street West Side with whom she made her home Deceased was born near Flatwoods and was a daughter of the late John and Mary Johnston of Flatwoods She was a teacher in the West Side schools for a number of years and gave up the profession on account of her health

She is survived by two brothers, Clarence who is employed as a railroad clerk for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Shadyside Pittsburg, and Mitchell a druggist at Wilmerding

Mrs Mary Ann Dawson

Mrs Mary Ann Dawson aged 7_ years and wife of George W Dawson, died Tuesday morning at 9 40 o'clock, at her late residence at Atlantic avenue McKeesport

The following children survive Harry Dawson and Mrs George Booth of McKeesport Isaac and William Dawson and Mrs S P Reeves of Elizabeth and F A Tilbin of New Castle Mrs Dawson was well known in Connellsville

Miss Ettie Torrence

Word was received in Connellsville Thursday by M R Doll that his niece Miss Ettie Torrence a daughter of Jonathan Torrence a former resident of the West Side died this week at her home at Mansfield O aged about _ years Miss Torrence spent her girlhood days in the West Side and many friends will learn with sorrow of her death

Mrs Anna Claxton

Mrs Anna Claxton aged 46 years two months and 11 days wife of Frank Claxton died Tuesday morning at _ o'clock at her late home No 712 Connell avenue Deceased is survived by her husband

SILK MILL REPORT TALKED OVER; MR. DERY IS INVITED.

Owner of Mills Which Seek Location Here Is Asked to Come and Meet the People.

REPORT IS VERY ENCOURAGING

Business Seems to Please the Investigating Committee and Mr Dery's Standing is Above Reproach—Williamsport Plan is Advocated.

The report of the silk mill proposition was r ad at the Chamber of Commerce meeting Thursday and discussed at length Several paragraphs were dissected by those present, but while the report was very flattering the members of the committee made it plain that they would not recommend a $250 000 bond issue on the strength of an investigation which last d but a few days If the town is to take the bond issue it will be after a more thorough report can be compiled Interest, naturally, centered in the report of the committee which was composed of President Worth Kilpatrick E R Floto and F M Ritchey, Jr It is given below in full Then the Williamsport industrial guarantee bond plan was discussed random remarks made on various subjects and adjournment taken after it was voted to invite D G Dery to visit Connellsville look over the field and make his proposition plain to the people

There is only a hazy idea as to Mr Dery's plans The general impression prevails that the bonds are to be subscrib d only after Mr Dery has erected and paid for his plant The sum realized from the bonds will be used as a working capital It takes four months for silk to be manufactured from raw material and placed on the market Pasquale Bufano was in favor of raising sufficient money to purchase the site right away but as there is a 60-day option on the property purchase at this time was not deemed necessary Mr Dery proposes to erect a 400 loom plant here that size being the most economical All of the branches of silk making will be in operation here the raw material being worked up into the finished products

According to the report of the committee, a 400 loom mill would cost $412 032 50 the estimate being based on the cost of other mills Mr Dery and others have erected The annual business that should result from this mill is $250 731 with a payroll of $195 000 per annum In the 300-loom mill operated by Mr Dery at East Mauch Chunk 116 males and 213 females are employed their wages averaging $1 98 per day The members of the committee were highly impressed with Mr Dery's personality They thought him a good business man and reported that he stood high in the community We did not hear a single word against him on the trip sa d President Kilpatrick This was a remarkable experience I am sure there is not a man in Connellsville so well thought of in his own community that an investigating committee could not hear something against him"

This keen but good natured thrust was greeted by a general laugh

During the report of the committee all three members spoke on the trip after Mr Floto had read the official report which had been prepar d Mr Kilpatrick stated that Mr Dery would have to invest between $300 000 and $400 000 in the proposition in addition to the amount secured through the bond issue of $250 000 Mr Dery is the sole owner of his mills There is no corporation and no partnership When Mr Dery was asked what would happen should he happen to die he replied that while it might give his business a jolt there were men in his employ perfectly competent to take up the work

Speaking of Allentown which has 20 silk mills Mr Floto said he was greatly impressed with the city It has an annual payroll of $3 000,000 fine buildings and splendid stores During the recent financial depression the town suffered but little because of its diversified industries although it was in bad shape after the panic of 1893 when it was entirely dependent upon its iron mills

P Bufano read a letter from Ferdinand Muckley the promoter who is trying to land the mill here Mr Muckley said Mr Dery appeared satisfied with the prospects and Muckley advised Connellsville to get busy immediately He wrote to be sure that all coal and mineral rights if any, be reserved under the proposed site in order that danger of undermining might be eliminated

Robert Norris then broached the Williamsport plan and had President Kilpatrick read of the results obtained in that city It was nine years ago that Williamsport woke up In that time her population has increased 20 per cent her freight revenue 29 per cent bank capitalization 27 per cent bank deposits 40 per cent assessed valuation 54 per cent, freight tonnage 51 per cent surplus and earnings of the banks 112 per cent and postal receipts 147 per cent The first guarantee fund was $215 000 and later one of $461 000 was raised To the first fund 24 contributed $5 000 each and to the second two of these increased their subscription to $20 000 These subscriptions were payable only when the funds were required and in whatever proportion it was drawn upon

This caused Councilman Walter Shuman to remark that Williamsport is different because her citizens are patriotic He accused the moneyed men of Connellsville of not betraying proper interest in the town's welfare S M Goodman also handed the so called moneyed men some hot shot The meeting was assuming the character of a Knockers Convention

A B Hood got down to business by getting up and moving that the report of the visiting committee be accepted and that the President appoint another committee to make a house to house canvass of the town and see how much of the $250 000 bond issue could be subscribed

After a prolonged and desultory discussion which seemed interminable and profitless, Henry P Snyder editor of The Courier cut the tangled threads of debate and brought the meeting to a swift and apparently satisfactory conclusion I take it he said that we are not assembled here tonight to criticise to criminate to throw cold water but rather to co-operate for the town's uplifting He suggested that the meeting proceed in order There were several questions being debated at once with no appreciable progress in the settlement of any He said he favored the Williamsport plan but that the motion of Mr Hood was the business before the meeting and he moved the previous question

E T Norton then moved to amend the Hood motion by striking out that portion of it requiring the appointment of a bond subscription soliciting committee and leaving it simply that the report of the visiting committee be accepted The amendment prevailed

Mr Snyder then moved that the President appoint a committee with himself as chairman for the purpose of examining into the Williamsport plan and reporting on its desirability and feasibility the probable amount that could be rased and the best method of raising it The motion prevailed without debate The committee will be announced later After deciding to extend an invitation to Mr Dery to meet the citizens in mass meeting here the meeting adjourned The full report of the investigating committee is as follows

Your committee appointed to look into the silk mill industry and to investigate the financial standing and character of the party interested in the location of a silk manufacturing establishment in this city proceeded to inform themselves along certain lines

We had several objects in view First to obtain a general idea of the silk industry second to look into the financial standing of D G Dery his general character and business ability and third to obtain an approximate idea of the cost of construction of a plant of 400 looms

In regard to the first object we could only in the short time at our disposal obtain in a measure a superficial view but we obtained enough information to lead us to the conclusion that the silk industry is both a profitable and a growing industry The demand so far keeping in such nice relation to the supply that the mills have been in constant operation The trade has grown in volume and in stability While some years ago the profits of the business were larger than they are now it was subject to fluctuation which made it more hazardous

The history of the industry in Allentown will give you some idea of its growth The first mill was constructed in 1881 It is now the largest mill in the city containing 100 000 feet of floor space and running 1 100 looms This plant gives employment to 1 100 people There are now 20 silk mills in the city employing 6 000 people

During the recent depression which was felt so keenly in this locality Allentown with its silk mills its textile mills its shoe factories its cigar factories its cement works and other industries did not feel the depression to any great extent In the silk trade the demand fell off from 10% to 15% but the mills were kept in operation full time except in the larger mills for a few months in 1908 the operatives worked a few hours less each week Mr Dery informed us that his mills were run full time the decrease in trade being met by not urging them to the fullest possible production

The second object of our trip was to make the acquaintance of Mr Dery and to inform ourselves in regard to his financial standing his character and business ability

Mr Dery is an educated polished gentleman who impresses you with the fact that he has a thorough knowledge of the silk industry from the importation of the raw silk through the manufacture to its distribution to the consumer He is courteous and considerate in his relations to his employees He has the reputation of being a straightforward business man with a high conception of honor and business integrity He possesses a keen intellect and has a wide range of knowledge and a clear conception of business conditions in general He is held in high esteem by the people of his community He is thoroughly American in his ideas and principles

A brief sketch of his career will probably give you a clearer conception of the man He is an Austrian by birth and was educated on the Continent where he worked with his brother who was and is still engaged in the manufacture of silk He came to this country when a young man and obtained a position with a silk manufacturer in Paterson N J This position he held for a few years when he engaged in business for himself About 1896 he sustained a heavy loss by fire which nearly put him out of business In 1897 he located at Catasauqua where he constructed a plant installing 24 looms the people of the community subscribing to a bond issue of $24 000 secured by a mortgage on this plant. In 1900 these bonds were retired the plant at Catasauqua was enlarged and a second issue of bonds to the amount of $44 000 was issued secured as before by a mortgage on the plant. Since then Mr Dery has constructed and has in operation a plant at Emaus a plant at East Mauch Chunk which is regarded as a model self supporting operation, a plant at Taunton, Mass, and two plants in Allentown the latter two in operation 1 000 looms with their complements of spinning machines etc

The opinion in regard to Mr Dery's financial standing his character and his generally fine reputation is based on reports from several sources from personal interviews and from social interviews with half a dozen gentlemen who occupy positions of trust in Allentown and vicinity

The third object which your committee endeavored to accomplish was to obtain information in regard to the approximate cost of construction and equipment of a 400 loom silk mill a 400 loom plant A plant of this size is regarded as a most excellent self supporting unit for economic operation

We obtained figures for the construction of a 400 loom plant and we revised that to obtain the approximate cost of a 400 loom plant to add to the cost of building etc and to cost of weaving and spinning machinery

The cost of 400 loom plant
Weaving plant 300 looms
Spinning plant 5 800 spindles
Building 65 000 square feet operating space office vault engine and boiler house etc heating ventilating and plumbing complete $[illegible] 000
Power plant [illegible]
In leased buildings [illegible] altogether
Sprinkling system 1 [illegible]
Land 1 000
Building etc [illegible] artesian well reservoir etc 3 700

Total $[illegible]

Weaving Plant
Machinery $ 55 000
Harness reeds and patterns [illegible]
Bobbins quills [illegible] 1 6[illegible]
Shafting pulleys [illegible] transmission 11 00[illegible]
Belting [illegible]

Total $117 [illegible]

Spinning Plant
5 800 spindles complete $ 48 000
Shafts from head [illegible] [illegible]
Soaking room and plumbing [illegible]
Shafting and belting [illegible]

Total $ [illegible]

Making total cost of 400 loom plant $[illegible]
Consequently to arrive at the cost of a 400 loom plant we add [illegible] to $11 [illegible] or $[illegible]
For building power sprinkling system etc [illegible] to $1 [illegible] or [illegible]

For spinning and weaving plant making a total cost of $41[illegible] 0

These figures we believe to be approximately correct

In regard to the product a 400 loom plant will produce per annum
Organzine [illegible] $ [illegible]
Manufactured silk [illegible]
mill value $14[illegible]

Total $[illegible]

And to give you some idea of the payroll we obtained the following figures taking a period of 13 weeks working days

[illegible] persons employed
wages paid $ [illegible]
Equal per annum [illegible]
Product for 13 weeks [illegible] yards which has a mill value of $ [illegible]
[illegible] the production [illegible] males [illegible] females average daily wage $1 98

In [illegible] a [illegible] loom plant would [illegible] more [illegible] total product of $1 [illegible] wages of $ [illegible]

AUTO LICENSES.

Under the New Law Will Cost More After January 1

Several local autoists have filed their applications with the State Highway Department for licenses badges and auto tags as required by the new automobile law which becomes effective on the first day of January Others are holding off it being their desire to get the larger numbers which are not as easily read when affixed to a moving car

The 1910 tags will have white letters on a blue enamel background A new feature will be a keystone of soft white metal on which will be stamped the manufacturer's number The tags will sell at from $5 to $15 according to the horsepower of the machine for which they are intended

The badges are for chauffeurs and will cost $2 apiece They will be of white metal The automobile division has issued 9 100 licenses thus far this year as against 2[illegible] 9 for last year

MAN'S IDENTITY MYSTERY

Ex Congressman Ray Denies Victim is His Son

WASHINGTON Pa Oct 7—The mystery shrouding the identity of John Walker who was found sitting in a barn here Saturday and who died Sunday was deepened tonight by the identification of the body as that of Lloyd Ray son of former Congressman E W Ray of Waynesburg The identification was made by four residents of Waynesburg all declaring they were positive of the identification

An hour later former Congressman Ray was reached and he denied that Walker was his son He declared his son who is a civil engineer had been located

YOUGH BOOMERS AT M'KEESPORT.

Chamber of Commerce in Tube City Open the Fall Campaign.

CONGRESSMEN WERE ABSENT

West Newton and Other Nearby Towns Sent Delegations and J M Williams of National Rivers and Harbors Congress Was Present

McKEESPORT Oct 9—When the fall campaign of the McKeesport Chamber of Commerce was opened Thursday night in Elk Temple Market street there was a large attendance not only of local people but representatives from boards of trade in this vicinity

West Newton sent a large delegation who wore badges on which was printed West Newton Yough River Boomers Suter East McKeesport Duquesne and Elizabeth were also represented

J B Ayers presided at the meeting and W T Cronemeyer was Secretary Mr Cronemeyer read letters of regret from Congressman A F Cooper Representative James F Woodward and former Congressman E L Robbins It was also expected to have Congressmen James Francis Burke A J Barchfeld and John K Tener attend they having promised but they could not get in an appearance during the evening

John M Williams who is general agent for this district for the National Rivers and Harbors Congress was present Mr Williams owing to announcement did not make an address at the meeting but he took a deep interest in the remarks made about the Youghiogheny movement and much significance is attached to his coming

Mayor Arthur said We should tell Congressman John Dalzell that it is of paramount importance that we get through this proposed canalization of the Youghiogheny river Let's keep hustling

In the absence of the men who were expected to make addresses on the Yough improvement project J B Ayres and W H Coleman gave short speeches Mr Ayres urged the co operation of the citizens in the effort to see that the appropriation is made and he told of the hard work the Chamber has done in bringing the matter before the proper persons at Washington

Mr Coleman urged that the aggressive work be continued and the appropriation for the improvement would be forthcoming He praised those who had succeeded in having the question brought before the proper parties at the national capital and said Let's do something for the people of McKeesport and vicinity Let's accomplish the big task we have undertaken and it all will put their shoulder to the wheel the improvement of the Yough is bound to come

ICE PLANTS COMBINE UNDER ONE NAME

West Penn Cold Storage Business Absorbs the Yough Crystal Ice Company

The Youghiogheny Crystal Ice Company and the West Penn Cold Storage Company which have been engaged in the manufacture of ice under separate firm names have been consolidated and beginning October 11 the business of the two firms will be conducted under the name of the West Penn Cold Storage Company This was the announcement made this morning by officials of the West Penn company No statement could be secured from officials of the Youghiogheny Crystal Ice Company further than to confirm the announcement made

The Yough company is the pioneer in the field but a consolidation deal it is stated has been pending for some time No details as to the consideration involved in the transaction or whether the plant of the Crystal company on this side of the river will be shut down were given out

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ALL WENT FOR TOMBSTONES.

Hungarian Treasurer of Brownsville Insurance Society Thus Explains Missing Money.

UNIONTOWN Oct 7—John Bely treasurer of the Hungarian Beneficial Society of Brownsville is making his headquarters in the county jail having been arrested last night on the charge of forging the name of Mrs Juliana Amedz to a $100 check He denies his guilt

The story goes to a period about two years ago when George Bely was insured in the society His wife was to get $1 000 and the child en cared for The wife died and George married Juliana Amedze On his wedding night he was mysteriously murdered Then the question arose whether the insurance money should go to the new wife or to Bely's children John Bely, the treasurer of the society was George's brother The new wife she alleges never got a cent of the money, although her check for $100 of it turned up She claims Bely forged her name to the paper

Bely on his part says that he used the money to erect tombstones over the graves of Bely and his first wife and the balance of the money has since been directed towards the support of the children

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

Odd Fellows Lodge at Brownfield Has Important Annual Event

BROWNFIELD Oct 9—The officers of Pine Knob Lodge of Odd Fellows at Brownfield were installed Thursday evening by J R Summers district deputy grand master Nineteen members of the two Uniontown lodges were present and there were also representatives from Johnstown Wilkinsburg and Smithfield all of whom were glad to find such a live flourishing lodge in Brownfield

The officers installed were C F Williams N G John W Hansel R S S E Walsworth L S Charles Malik V G Terry Thomas R S Samuel Robbins L S S H Maust warden Isaac Daugherty conductor Edward Mull chaplain William Halle O G Nicholas Schafer I G William Schnatterly R S S Harry Halle L S S John W Hansel treasurer Peter Schafer secretary Charles Sanner host

CONNELLSVILLE TWP. SCHOOL STATISTICS

Report of the Superintendent For the First Month of the Current Term

The first month of the school term in Connellsville township closed Friday October 1 The work done during the month has been very successful although a number of the teachers have been handicapped in their work on account of a shortage of books and supplies This is the result of an increase in the enrolment over past years and is especially felt in the Gibson schools where the enrollment is much greater than it has been in past years Everyone of the 10 rooms is filled to its full capacity

The attendance throughout the township has been good in most of the schools The best record of attendance was made in Grade 8 at Gibson where a perfect attendance is reported Every teacher is doing careful and effective work and the very best results are looked for during the term Several improvements have been made in the High School work the most important of which is the organization of a literary society

The following is a report of the different schools

	Washington			
1	Bessie Liche	[illegible]	49	85
2	Martha James	0	[illegible]	1
	Rock Ridge			
1	Miss Burke	[illegible]	[illegible]	9
	Stella M[illegible]	[illegible]		91
	Narrows			
1	Pearl Morse	71	[illegible]	94
[illegible]	P of Shearer	30	[illegible]	[illegible]
	Gibson			
1	(a) Louise [illegible]ger	58	41	9
1	Sadie Hawk		13	[illegible]
	Mina Sullivan	60	13	80
	Jessie Somerville	7		96
	Pat Moore	[illegible]		[illegible]
	[illegible] Wilson	40		[illegible]
6	Emma Huston	19	[illegible]	9
[illegible]	Winifred Bogard	31		91
[illegible]	S B Henry	1		100
	High School R J Jensen	30		96
	Totals at Gibson	4[illegible]	[illegible]	91
	Totals in township	[illegible]	[illegible]	93

POLICE ALMOST GOT WILLIAM CULBERTSON

Unfortunately Buffalo Prisoner Only Looked Like Man Wanted Photos Cause Mixup

UNIONTOWN Oct 9—The police authorities almost got hold of William Culbertson wanted here for murder This morning they received a letter from Chief of Police Michael Reagan of Buffalo N Y stating that a man answering Culbertson's description and giving his name of James Cuspert had been arrested

Two photographs were enclosed but while the resemblance is striking the officers are confident that he is not the man wanted Culbertson killed Pike Froman about a year ago

LYTLE GOES UP

Promotion for Son of Connellsville's Oldest 'Native Son'

Louis E Lytle has been made superintendent of the Westinghouse Air Brake Company at Wilmerding having been employed in the works there for the past ten years Four thousand men will be under his direction

Mr Lytle is the son of Squire T M Lytle of Fairview avenue and brother of former Councilman J C Lytle

Contract for New Trolley

FAIRMONT W Va Oct 9—The Fairmont & Northern Traction Company awarded the contract to Robert and D F Talbot local contractors for the construction of the trolley line from Fairmont to Fairview a distance of 12 miles The line will open up an oil region

JEWELER'S MARKS ON WATCH CATCH THIEF

William Toldry Took Stolen Timepiece To A W Bishop and Arrest Follows

For the theft of a watch last March from August Drum William Toldry a negro was arrested by Officer Thomas McDonald Friday and is awaiting a hearing before Justice of the Peace W P Clark Toldry's apprehension was accomplished by Jeweler A W Bishop The negro brought the watch to Bishop for repairs The marks indicated that it had at one time belonged to Drum Toldry could give no satisfactory explanation of his possession of the timepiece and Officer McDonald was summoned

Toldry is alleged to have taken the watch out of Drum's pocket last March He will have a hearing before Squire Clark this evening

MOLANS BROTHERS ARE ARRESTED FOR LARCENY

W J Houston Says They Sold a Valuable Davenport Which Belonged to Him

UNIONTOWN Oct 9—M J and Harry Molans conducting a large furniture store here have been arrested on charges of larceny by bailee preferred before Squire John Boyle by W J Houston a former hotel proprietor The defendants gave bail for their appearance at December court

Houston alleges he placed a valuable Davenport in their keeping which they have since sold Carl Carnes the baseball player bought the Davenport and is willing to return it if he gets his $50 back but there is a hitch in the negotiations

THREE MISSING

So Fourth Man in Assault Case Was Not Given Hearing

UNIONTOWN Oct 9—The hearing scheduled for four Bellevernon glass workers charged with assaulting Arthur Zellers was not held yesterday before Squire John Boyle because only one of the men Morris Kenney is under arrest

The officers are still looking for Eli Nanmetz Edgar Gilmer and Fred Smith

Arbor Day

Friday October 22 has been designated as Arbor Day in Pennsylvania

HUGH STILLWAGON DIES SUDDENLY.

Found Lifeless Along Path at Ligonier Early Friday Morning.

WAS STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS

Only Went to Marietta Plant Thursday as Mine Foreman—An Old Resident of Connellsville and Prominent in Politics Years Ago

Hugh Stillwagon aged about 60 years a life long resident of Connellsville was found dead along a path at Ligonier at an early hour Friday morning by a party that had been searching for him all night. Stillwagon went to the Marietta plant of the Marietta Connellsville Coke Company only Thursday as mine foreman He complained of feeling ill but was about the plant all day The supposition is that he was stricken with paralysis on his way from the mine to his boarding house about a quarter of a mile away stumbled into the pool of water and drowned

The owners of the plant, Rockwell Marietta Clair Stillwagon and W L Kelly, were at the mine Thursday, leaving about 3 o clock for home They told Stillwagon to take things easy until he got strong and left him in good spirits, but complaining of being weak. When he did not come to his boarding house between 6 and 7 o'clock a search was made for him The supposition was that he had gone to Ligonier but no trace of him could be found there The night was dark and the searchers did not come upon the body until daylight this morning when it was found in an 18 inch pool of water along a path half way between the mine and Stillwagon's boarding house There were no signs of violence on the body

Hugh Stillwagon was widely known in Connellsville and Fayette county He was an ardent Democrat, held office a number of times in Connellsville as a member of Council and the Board of Health and a number of years ago was the Democratic nominee for county commissioner About 20 years ago his services were eagerly sought at political meetings throughout the county as a stump speaker

Deceased is survived by his widow and four children Mrs Ella Johnson of New Salem R L Stillwagon of Connellsville Lloyd of Ohiopyle and Belle, at home

AFTER RINGER

Building & Loan Association Wants $1,458 27 From Him

UNIONTOWN Oct 9—An affidavit in default has been filed in the suit of the Peoples Building & Loan Association of Connellsville against W S Ringer with notice to F. D Munson trustee

The claim, amounting to $1,458 27, was filed by A. B Hood, secretary.

Want in Borough

The McCormick, Felty and Park additions to Uniontown have presented petitions to Council in Uniontown praying to be included within the borough limits

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AN OFFICIAL KIDNAPING.

Masontown Women Thrown Into Panic and Give Hot Chase When Father and Officer Take Infant From Mother.

SMITHFIELD Oct 9—When an official kidnaping took place in Masontown the women of the Walled City took it to be another Billy Whitla case and attacked John D Moody and Officer Ray Sutton of this place One of the women was a swift runner and caught up and kept abreast of the buggy in which Moody had his 17 month old son vowing that she would shoot the kidnapers She had no weapon but her tongue which a mother's affection for a child gave a scorching heat to her invective or the kidnapers

Moody who has been married a few years says that his wife became dissatisfied with her lot although he did everything possible for her and left him refusing to allow him the child, which he says is the one consolation that he has in the unhappy union

With Officer Sutton he went to the house where his wife is now living and took the child yesterday morning Sutton stayed in the buggy When his wife learned what was going on she screamed and the women of the neighborhood came to her aid Seeing the men driving away at a rapid rate they gave chase and one caught up with the buggy Had she been armed there would have been some serious trouble Moody took the child to the home of his parents in Georges township.

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A NEW PASTOR FOR M. E. CHURCH.

Rev. R. C. Wolfe Comes to the Connellsville Congregation.

REV. ASHE GOES TO PITTSBURG

Resolution Adopted Commending Bishop Smith and Expressing Satisfaction With List of Appointments. McKeesport District Appointees

Ministers of the Pittsburg conference of the Methodist Episcopal church were assigned to their pastorates for the ensuing year Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock and the conference, which has been holding its annual meeting in the Bellevue church for the past week, then adjourned

Rev P C Wolfe, who has been appointed pastor at Connellsville to succeed Rev A J Ashe, is one of the most widely known ministers in the Methodist Episcopal conference For the past year he was pastor at the McKeesport Methodist Episcopal Church and was highly esteemed by the congregation He is married and has a family Rev Ashe gets a fine appointment to the California M E church, North Side Pittsburg

Dissatisfaction with some of the appointments on the part of the ministers was expected but a resolution was unanimously adopted commending Bishop C W Smith the presiding officer and his cabinet, composed of the five district superintendents of the conference all of whom were reappointed.

The Rev Dr T N Boyle, superintendent of the Allegheny district, speaking for the cabinet declared that never before had appointments been so satisfactorily arranged, and that never before had they been given such conscientious and careful consideration Bishop Smith offered a slight rebuke to the conference saying that if preachers and church members did not annoy the cabinet so much it would be able to do better work

The Rev Dr T F Pershing was granted a leave of absence of one year because of the ill health of his wife The minister and his wife will make an extended journey to Europe Egypt and the Holy Land, and may decide to continue on a trip around the world

The appointments in the McKeesport district which includes Fayette and Westmoreland counties is as follows

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Alverton—Archibald Auld
Belleverno—J D W Heazleton.
Berlin—S W Bryan
Blackburn—H H Household
Braddock
First Church—W W Hall J N Munden
Fourth Street—J H Laverty.
Brownsville—G M Kelley
Circleville—T J Sparling
Coke Mission—S W Davis, Joseph Donat
Confluence—A K Travis
Connellsville—R C Wolfe
Dawson—H M Carnahan
Dravo—J A Younkins
Dunbar—L M Humes
East McKeesport—J M Mason
Elizabeth—C H Miller
Fairchance—J T Eastburn, supply
Glassport—G S Pollock
Layton—P O Wagner
McKeesport
Ballantyne—W S Trosh
Beulah Park—J H Lancaster
Christy—I I Dipner
Coursin Street—G A Allison
First Church—Arthur Staples
West Side—S H Greenlee
Madison—J F Billings
Masontown—R B Callahan
Meyersdale—J F Apples
Monessen—C F Pennemu
Mount Lebanon—Ralph Bell
Mount Pleasant—T N Eaton
Ohiopyle—I E Letchworth supply
Pleasant Unity—Watson Bracken
Perryopolis—C P Sullode
Salisbury—Supply
Scottdale—R B Mansell
Smithfield—A H Acken
Somerset—H C Millington
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West Newton—R B Cuthbert.
Youngstown—W P Varner

THE SUPREME COURT AFFIRMS DECISION

Of the Orphans' Court in the Smith Estate Case From Connellsville

Word was received late yesterday afternoon that the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania has handed down a decision affirming the finding of the Orphans Court of Fayette county in the estate of the late Berthanna R Smith The application of the heirs of the late Robert Smith to have H M Kephart ousted as administrator of the estate

This case has been pending in the courts for the past several years The last determined opposition to the movement to have the estate escheat to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania was made by Robert Smith and others of St Louis who claimed to have been sons of the late Robert Smith by his first wife

The next step in the case will probably be an application on the part of Administrator Kephart to have the estate escheat to the State This has been tied up for the past two years by the litigation brought by the St. Louis heirs

LEVIED ON HOTEL.

Action of Justice Mestrezat Against the Summit Hotel.

UNIONTOWN, Oct 12—The furnishings of the Summit Hotel were levied upon yesterday by Sheriff P A Johns on the suit of S Leslie Mestrezat for $4 000 Several years ago S Leslie Mestrezat, Judge R E Umbel, I W Seamans and M H Bowman invested over $15,000 in a summer resort at the Summit Later they were persuaded to organize a company with a capital of $100 000 and sell the stock at $1 000 a share The newly organized company was to settle with the four original owners but so far it has failed to do so The company's notes were given but have remained unpaid

At present the hotel is being run under the management of Mrs Frances Yeager, and prior to that D D Rush

DEFFENBAUGH CASE IN SUPREME COURT

Decision of Judge Van Swearingen Affirmed—Long Standing Smith Fuller Case Decided

UNIONTOWN, Oct 12—In the list of opinions handed down by the Supreme Court at Pittsburg yesterday one of the most important was the case of Henry J Deffenbaugh vs John Ellsworth Hess guardian, etc an appeal from the judgment of Judge J Q Van Swearingen in which Judge Van Swearingen's decision is affirmed The case involved the courtesy right of a husband in the coal holdings of his deceased wife after the coal and surface had been separated The attorneys were D M Hertzog and George D Howell Judge Van Swearingen handed down an exhaustive opinion involving many knotty questions in the law of real property

The Supreme Court also affirmed the decree in the matter of the estate of Sarah E Teed on an appeal by Kate Messmore, a daughter from the judgment of the Fayette county Orphans' Court

Another case decided finally yesterday was the long standing one of the estate of Smith Fuller, deceased The appeal of Elizabeth M Fuller from the decree of the Orphans' Court of Fayette county is denied and judgment affirmed This estate has been in litigation for years and the case is considered perhaps the most extensive in the courts of this county

SHOT BY WIFE WHOM HE ABUSED

Joe Shimrock of Nellie Mines Sent to the Hospital by His Better Half

Joe Shimrock accumulated a costly jag Saturday at his home at Nellie Mines when he returned late and began abusing his wife He was as ugly as a drunken Slav can get, and what he didn't tell his wife was hardly worth mentioning The woman stood for his abuse until he got vicious and then she got busy She pulled a gun and shot Joe through the left lung

Joe got to the hospital early Sunday morning and Sunday was operated on He has an even chance to get well The woman is being detained in the Vanderbilt lockup until it is determined whether Joe will recover

SETTLED CASES

Dunbar Township Disorderlies Get Off by Paying the Costs

The 15 men arrested by Constable William Roland and S E Nelson at Trotter night before last went before Squire G B Graham in Dunbar township and settled the prosecutions against them by paying the costs They were charged with disorderly conduct

The man who was slashed in the melee was given a purse and had the physician's bill paid so did not care to push the prosecution of the offender who is not known anyhow

VITAL STATISTICS

For Month of September Reported by Registrar G B Brown

The vital statistics for the month of September given out Monday by Registrar George B Brown are as follows Number of deaths in Connellsville borough, 24, in Connellsville township 2 in Bullskin township none

Number of births in the borough, 13 in Connellsville township 4 in Bullskin township 7

A BIG ESTATE IS DISTRIBUTED.

Judge Work Makes Award to Heirs Who Will Get Nearly $100,000.

SMALLER ESTATES SETTLED

Only One, That of Late Hannah Mack, is Exceptionally Large—Old Estate is Also Squared Up at Last—Other Court News

UNIONTOWN Oct. 11—At this morning's session of Orphans Court Judge J C Work made orders of distribution in several estates one of them being worth $100,000, and an exceptionally large sum for distribution

In the estate of Hannah Mack, which is valued at $97 273 46 there are only three heirs Warren Mack receives $31 546 Katherine Mack is awarded $26 423 and Fannie Mack gets $23 722 The share of each was originally $31 ?6 79 but advances had been made in each case

The following smaller estates were distributed among the heirs James H Ward, $575 Stephen Beucoer, $?6?0, Sarah Cameron $22 63, Andrew Kozik $778

The estate of Dr Hugh Campbell, who died in 1876 has been cleared up Trueman Humphrey Ross and Frank Campbell and Louisa Thompson Mary V Pippin and Mary C Hart get $10 each Sarah L Campbell is awarded $5,7?4 36, William W Campbell gets $5 713 while George P Titlow the First National Bank of Uniontown and Pauline Allison get $6,017

Jack Carothers has sued the Lyric Amusement Company of Connellsville to recover $10 for not being allowed to appear three days after being sent to Connellsville by the National Vaudeville Association

Interrogatories have been filed by the plaintiffs in the suit of J P Conn and J C Fulton against J S Douglass and J Q Swearingen These are directed at Douglas and ask him to answer questions in regard to acreage price received amount turned over and other matters in connection with the $20 000 suit filed some weeks ago

RUNAWAY ACCIDENT UP AT OHIOPYLE

Mr and Mrs John Stewart Have a Narrow Escape on Sunday Morning

OHIOPYLE Oct 11—Mr and Mrs John Stewart and daughter Miss Margaret of Commercial street met with what might have proved to be a very serious accident Sunday morning at about 10 o'clock Mr Stewart had hitched up the horse for a morning's drive All went well until they had just got started The harness in some manner came loose leaving the carriage close to the horse's heels It at once became frightened dashed off at rapid speed and could not be brought under control until the occupants were thrown from their seats

Luckily all escaped serious injury Mrs Stewart received a dislocated thumb while Mr Stewart and their one year old daughter were unhurt otherwise than a few slight bruises The horse was brought to a stop before any damage was done Dr J F Hurt dressed their injuries

NAME OF BANK CHANGED

From New Haven National to the Union National

At a meeting of the stockholders of the New Haven National Bank held Saturday afternoon the name of the bank was changed to the Union National Bank of Connellsville providing it meets with the approval of the Comptroller of the Currency

Several names were suggested but the one chosen met with the approval of the majority of stockholders

Sales Are Confirmed

The real estate sales in the estate of Peter Rutsek have been approved by the United States District Court at Pittsburg Attorney R S Matthews trustee in bankruptcy secured the approval Saturday Then he went to the ball game

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AGED MAN FELL OVER WALL MEETING WITH INSTANT DEATH.

Wilbur Atkins, Aged 71 Years, Fell Over Seven Foot Excavation on South Pittsburg Street, Breaking Neck.

Wilbur Atkins aged 71, one of the veteran employes about the coke works in this section and a stationary engineer, met instant death late Saturday night by plunging over a seven foot excavation at the home of Thomas G Herwick on South Pittsburg street The excavation is not protected by a railing It is believed that Atkins was intoxicated at the time he met his death

When O R Herwick who lives next door came out at 6 30 the next morning, he discovered the body of Atkins, who had been dead for several hours Undertaker J E Sims was notified and removed the body to his undertaking establishment The body was taken to the home of Lloyd Bailey at South Connellsville today from which place the funeral will be held

Atkins' wife who has been living in Morgantown, arrived here today The old man lived alone in a house at South Connellsville He is well known among the veteran coke workers of this section

MULLEN AND STINEMAN GRANTED NEW TRIALS

U. S Circuit Court Reverses Judgment of Distric Court in Mt. Pleasant Cases

GREENSBURG Oct 11—Charles E Mullen, ex cashier of the defunct Farmers and Merchants Bank of Mt Pleasant and E H Steinman a business man of Mt Pleasant, who were sentenced to five years in the Western Penitentiary by Judge James Young of the United States District Court for permitting overdrafts on the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Mt Pleasant causing that institution to go to the wall for a shortage of several hundred thousand dollars were on Friday granted a new trial by the United States Circuit Court in session at Philadelphia.

Messrs Robbins & Kunkle attorneys for the two men received the following notice from William H Merrick clerk of the United States Circuit Court Saturday morning

The United States Circuit Court has filed an opinion in the case of Charles E Mullen and E H Steinman plaintiffs in error, against the U S defendants No 52, March term 1909 by Buffington Circuit Judge, in that the judgment of the District Court are reversed

At the trial of Mullen and Steinman R K Hissem President of the defunct bank was also found guilty but sentence was suspended on account of his age and physical condition

FAYETTE FARMERS WILL DISCUSS EDUCATION

The Program Next Saturday at the Home of Mr and Mrs W A Bryson

Education will be discussed at the regular meeting of the Union Farmers Club of Fayette County to be held Saturday at the home of Mr and Mrs W A Bryson near Uniontown

The program is as follows Should the Farmer's Education Be Different From That of Other Callings? E E Arnold Is the Farmers Knowledge as Valuable to Him as That of Other Professions A C Ogle ee Should Agriculture Be Taught in the Public Schools J H Junk query What Is An Agricultural Education? I H Smith Selections will also be rendered by J H Junk Mrs S W Dunn and Mrs W B Swearingen

A CUT ON KNEE PROVED FATAL WOUND

Walter J Miller of Smithfield Cut Himself With Hatchet Died at Uniontown Hospital

SMITHFIELD Oct 11—Walter J Miller of Haydentown aged 39 years died in the Uniontown hospital October 8 The remains were brought to the undertaking rooms of J R Vance & Son at Smithfield Friday night and prepared for burial Interment took place Sunday in the Haydentown Cemetery

Miller died from the effects of a cut on the knee with a hatchet about two months ago He was a son of Rolley and Polly Gaskill Evans who are both dead He was raised by Philip Miller of Haydentown whose name he took

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FAYETTE COURT RECORDS.

Deeds and Marriage Licenses Recorded the Past Few Days.

A B Hutchinson treasurer bridges jail and supplies to county ... $381 27

Hugh R Harden and wife to O P Markle and I Franks for lot in Second Ward, Uniontown $6,000, October 6 1909

Connellsville Extension Company to Daniel W Harren, for lot in South Connellsville $50 October 5 1909

John Tressler and wife to Ellen Hyatt for lot in Stewart township $1 September 11 1909

Point Marion Improvement Company to J Colebank for lot in Springhill township $1?? May 21 1909

O P Markle and wife and I Franks and wife to Hugh R Harden for lot in Second Ward Uniontown $?,000 October 6 1909

William Hunt to Mrs Florence J Weaver for lot in Third Ward $?00 September 11 1909

F A Herd and wife to Jesse ... Plessinger for lot in Point Marion $1 September ... 1909

William F Kemp ... and wife to John W ... for lot in Springhill township $?? June 1? 1909

John ... Temley and wife to Fannie Kisser for lot in Point Marion $17 September 25 1909

Happy C ... and husband to Mary R ... for lot in Redstone township $1 ... September ... 1909

Andrew Jakelein to Joseph Jakelein for land in Redstone township $1 October 1909

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Point Marion Improvement Company to J ... for lot in Springhill township $?? ... May 2? 1909

Peter A Johns sheriff to Charles ... for land in Jefferson township $1 ... October ? 1909

Charles Fisher to Thomas ... for lot in Henry Clay township $?? November ... 1909

Margaret Robbins and husband to James Rich... for lot in Connellsville township $100 February 1 1909

William Johnson Sr and wife to ... for lot in Vanderbilt borough $ 00 September ... 1909

George R ... administrator of ... estate of Ewing ... to ... for land in Dunbar township $?? August 27 1909

J ... and wife ... to W ... T ... for land in Point Marion $1 ... June 11 1909

Charles W Miller and wife to ... M Miller for land in ... township ... October ... 1909

H W ... and Ethel P Franks to ... for lot in Third Ward Uniontown $100 October 7 1909

Martin J Carson and wife to ... Blair for land in Perryopolis $100 May 27 1909

Louis C W... to Emma Watt for land in German township $1 October 8 1909

Clark B Hanna to George ... and wife for land in Menallen township $1 ... October 4 1909

John W ... and wife to Jessie B House for land in Second Ward Uniontown $2500 September 30 1909

Mary Baird to ... R Davis ... for lot in Uniontown ... September 25 1909

Elizabeth Martin and Charles Martin to W M Johnson Jr for land in Vanderbilt borough $1 00 October 4 1909

H A Rhodes and Callie J Rhodes to Edward ... for land in Georges township $?0 May 27 1909

M... Johnson and W M Johnson to Charles Martinof for land in Dunbar township $801 October ? 1909

James O'Neil and John O'N... to Polish American ... for land in Upper Tyrone township $?? September 17 1909

Elmer C... administrator of the estate of ... Crow ... to William ... for land in Springhill township ... 1908

John H Thomas to Frank J Jeffreys and wife for lot in ... Markleysburg $? ... June ... 1909

M N Thomas to F L Jeffreys and wife ... for land in Henry Clay township $ ... April ... 1907

Charles H Hempstead and wife ... to John Velanich and Katie V ... for land in New Salem $ 00 October ... 1909

Dorothy ... to ... Williams for lot in Brownsville $1 September 1909

Mrs Morgan Frow and others to Charles ... and others for lot in North Union township $100 September 30 1909

Rachel Kissinger and her husband to ... M Harn... for lot in Georges township $1? September 17 1909

Smith Buttermore and wife to Maggie and ... A McLaughlin for lot in Connellsville $?00 January 16 1909

William McLaughlin and wife to Julia A. Bacon, for lot in Connellsville, $800 September 23 1909

Peter A Johns, sheriff, to John Mach, for lot in Dunbar township $805 October 1 1909

Marriage Licenses

B Cunningham of Summit Mines and Anna Gablet of Sherrick

H L Warren of Greenville Pa and Mary Edith Semans of Union...

SOMERSET COURT RECORDS

Matters of the Orphans Court and Marriage Licenses Granted

SOMERSET Oct 8—Since the last report the following transfers of real estate have been entered of record in the office of Recorder Norman E Berkey

Willis H Brougher et ux to Augustus H Brubaker $2 000, Somerset township

Sara Tressler et vir to Thomas C Phalin, $70 Larimer township

Keystone Coal Company to H C Shaw, $8 000 Elk Lick township

William S Horner's heirs to Jesse Horner $7 000 Quemahoning township

Abraham Sinner's administrator to Jacob Snyder, $1 74? Rockwood

Somerset Coal Company to H C Beerits, $1,000 Somerset township

John L Baer to J R Hemminger $2 ? Somerset borough

Catherine A Yoder to Harry Foust $100 Paint township

John H Uhl et ux to William H Kantner $4 000 Somerset borough

D B Zimmerman et ux to Bishop A F Garvey $100 Quemahoning township

Harvey Lenz et ux to S T Cunningham $4 000 Somerset borough

Windber Brewing Company to Windber Brewing Company No ... $3 18? Windber

J G Newman et al to William Herral $? Somerset township

David R Kramer et ux to Amos W Harbaugh et ux $1 0?? Middlecreek township

Since the last report the following marriage licenses have been issued out of the office of Register Bert F Landis

Stewart H Gnagey of Summit township and Clara E Griffith of Meyersdale

Garfield W Bittner of Larimer township and Lucy M Blank of Wellersburg

Daniel O Pluck of Windber and Lucy Saylor of Somerset

Rufus P Meyers and Lillian Stey, both of Somerset

Tobias J Lehman of Conemaugh township and Jennie M Lehman of Jenners

Charles Kimmel and Anna Tressler both of Confluence

Noah Ott of Hooversville and Sarah Livingstone of Conemaugh township

Victor Gustafson and Harriet Dowen both of Windber

The will of John W Carroll late of Windber has been admitted to probate All the property of the testator is given to his wife Sarah E Carroll who is also appointed executrix. The will is dated January 9 1907

The following routine business has been transferred in the Orphans Court since the last report

Estate of Eva Barclay W H H Baker appointed guardian of Meade C and Flo... ... minor children $1...

Estate of Anna Rose return of sale confirmed n s

Estate of John G Mayer Charles W Walker appointed auditor

Estate of Maria C Blair order of sale awarded William H Miller executor bond in $ 800

Estate of Israel and Mary Ann Pritts, return of sale confirmed ni

Estate of Edwin G Zimmerman petition filed and Michael B Zimmerman administrator and trustee discharged

Estate of Matthew S Christy order of sale awarded Jennie Christy administratrix bond $4 000

Estate of Sydney Bush petition filed and George B Bush, administrator, discharged

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Found Dead in Bryce Bros. Glass Factory at Mt. Pleasant Monday—Shot Himself Through Head.

MT PLEASANT Oct 11—Kenneth Bryce son of Andrew Bryce was found dead this morning in a room in the glass factory of the Bryce Bros Company with a bullet hole through his head The only cause that can be assigned for the suicide is that Bryce killed himself during a sudden wild impulse after his mind gave away He had everything to live for There was no business trouble he was an only son and worshipped by his father

Only yesterday he had come from Greensburg where he lived to visit his parents, being accompanied by his young wife During the afternoon Bryce, who traveled for the Bryce Bros Company went down to the factory When he did not return towards evening a search was made for him but in vain This morning the body was found in a small room which the searchers had not looked into last evening

Mr Bryce was about 26 years old His prospects in life were of the brightest He was of a cheerful disposition and only the sudden wavering of his mind could have induced him to take his own life He left no note or word, which is further evidence that his act was that of a wild and sudden impulse

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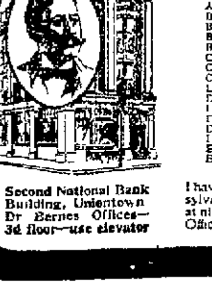

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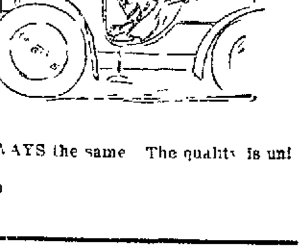

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FINE PROGRAM IS ARRANGED

Names of the Pastors Who Have Served the Church For More Than a Century—Smithfield Will Entertain Visitors.

SMITHFIELD, Oct 8—The 125th anniversary of the organization of the Mt Moriah Baptist Church of Smithfield will take place on Thursday and Friday October 28 and 29 the following being the program

Thursday 2 P M, Rev J W Hayes presiding—Music, devotions, led by Rev C W Hains of Mt Pleasant words of greeting by the pastor, Rev W M Ryan, response Mrs Ira Ross Dunkard, Pa., address, The First Sixty two and One half Years of the Church s History,' Rev Ross Ward, Point Marion

Thursday 7 30 P M Rev Ross Ward presiding—Devotions led by Rev E C Kunkle, Scottdale 7 45, music by choir address The Second Period of Sixty-two and One-half Years in the Church's History Music 8 30, address "Biographical Sketch of the Pastors of the Church Hon E H Reppert

Friday 10 A M—Reminiscence session, Rev P G Sturgis leader (Mr Sturgis is 91 years old and has been a member of the Mt. Moriah church more than 70 years) Old members meeting at which old hymns will be sung Reminiscences from 10 to 11 o'clock social hour from 11 to 12 Greetings from those unable to be present will be read

2 P M devotions led by Rev W H Ellis 2 20 address by Rev D B Purinton D D Morgantown West Va historical sketch of Sunday school D P Smith music address, 'The Men of the North the Builders of the West Rev J S Bromley, Uniontown

Evening 7 30 a present membership rally—Devotions led by Rev Robert Miller 7 50 song service The home choir will be assisted by choirs from Fairchance Woodbridge and Oak Hill 8 10 The Church of the Future—A Prophecy ' by Rev James F Darby D D of Oil City, Pa , closing song God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

The Mt Moriah Baptist Church was organized October 30, 1784 with [illegible] constituent members There are now 316 members The following pastors have served the church the dates being their time of settlement

Rev James Sutton December, 1784 Samuel Woodbridge John Corbly assistant March 1786 Geo Guthrie, June 1787 David Loofborrow June 1789 Benjamin Stone April 179[illegible] The church was without a pastor from 1800 until 1809 John Patton 1809 Benoni Allen and John Thomas 1832 David Thomas 1835 James Estep 1836 Joseph Gover J W B Tisdale and M Maddox 1838 Dr Wm Penny, 1844 Caleb Rossel 1846 J W Teasdale, 1849 J M Purinton 1851 J D Kink 1845, D B Purinton, 1856, A J Collins 1857, J M Purinton, 1861 John P Hall 1867 Jonathan Smith 1870 A J Collins 1872 John Moffit 1878 W S Wood 1879 Ross Ward 1881, W Cattell 1889 J W Hayes, 1893 W M Ryan 1907

Of the ex-pastors only three are living—Revs J W Hayes Ross Ward and Jonathan Smith

The present pastor is Rev W M Ryan church clerk F B Martin treasurer J M D Low Deacons—John Davis D P Smith George Miller E D Moser Joseph High, A A Moser and R S Burchinal Trustees—Joseph H Thomas Jesse Conn Alda Shoaf, F Dale Field, Henry Hibbs and Lewis Hastings

During the anniversary exercises entertainment will be freely furnished to all former members and friends

DOUBLE WEDDING AT COURT HOUSE

Both Couples Hail From Greene County and the Bonds That Bind Were Self Tied

UNIONTOWN Oct 7—The meeting of the veterans in Uniontown today resulted in an unusual double wedding in the court house when John H Guseman and Mrs Lucretia Horner both of Carmichaels were self married in the Register and Recorder's office and immediately afterward Bertha L Guseman 15 year old daughter of the bridegroom, took John W Hathaway aged 35 of Rices Landing for a husband

The second Mrs Guseman stood as a witness for her step-daughter when the simple ceremony was performed Mr and Mrs Abraham Guseman parents of John H Guseman and grand parents of Mrs Hathaway witnessed the marriage Abraham Guseman is a veteran and came to Uniontown to participate in their festivities today

Farmers' Club Will Meet

The regular monthly meeting of the Union Farmers Club of Fayette county will be held Saturday October 16 at the home of Mr and Mrs W A Bryson near Uniontown

SEEKS DIVORCE.

Brownsville Woman Wants Free From Cumberland Marriage

UNIONTOWN Oct. 8—Mrs Annie B Hibbs of Brownsville filed papers this morning in the local courts for a divorce from her husband Benjamin F Hibbs October 6 1898 the couple eloped to Cumberland and were married

Mrs Hibbs alleges that September 15, 1905 her husband deserted her and he is now located in San Antonio Tex Mrs Hibbs still resides in Brownsville

VETERANS' REUNION WAS BIG SUCCESS

Attendance Was Largest in History of the Organization—General Howard Spoke

The ninth annual reunion of the Fayette County Veterans Association held Thursday at Uniontown was the greatest ever held Not for some time has so many gray haired veterans assembled together and the patriotism of those who witnessed the gathering of veterans was aroused to the fullest extent. Every train and trolley car that entered town up until noon brought veterans from the surrounding towns A large delegation of local veterans were present and were among the most enthusiastic visitors present

The evening session was held at 7 30 in the City Hall and was the most interesting session The first speaker was Rev J H Pershing He spoke of the rapid strides the South has made in the past and told some very humorous stories Dr George W Neff a veteran of the Civil and Spanish American wars followed with a very fine talk Then came an address by General O O Howard of Burlington, Vt entitled The Battle of Gettysburg" During the evening several musical selections were rendered by a quartette Benjamin Gill the West Virginia centenarian was introduced by Mr Kennedy

A P Brant of Fairchance Henry A Reger of Connellsville, and William Freeman of Adah, O were Mexican war veterans present In behalf of J W Dawson Esq the Ladies' Circle presented General Howard with a handsome bouquet of roses

The officers elected were President, W F Kennedy, Vice Presidents J R Balsley of Connellsville Captain W A Craft, Joseph Rankin and S G Krepps Secretaries I O Miller and Edgar Hustead Chaplain F M Cunningham Quartermaster Milton Kemp and Assistant Quartermaster Levi Francis Since the last reunion 53 veterans have passed away

VALUE OF A DOG IMPORTANT QUESTION

Wade Marietta Complains to West Penn That $100 Critter Was Killed

Wade Marietta and the West Penn Railways Company appear to be in for a legal battle Banty Freeman a West Penn motorman Wednesday ran down a bird dog belonging to Marietta along the Mt Pleasant road

The dog was considered one of the best in the county and Mr Marietta states that he would not accept $100 if the dog was living He does not care so much about the money involved but he is mad over the condition of affairs and is demanding $100 for its scalp The hunting season is about to open and he does not have a bird dog

The company claims that the dog was asleep on the job and did not have sense enough to get off the track when the motorman rang the bell

A SILVER JUBILEE AT MT. PLEASANT

Impressive Services at St Joseph's Catholic Church—Message Received From the Pope

MT PLEASANT, Oct 7—The silver jubilee services were held at the St Joseph s Church all day yesterday when hundreds of Catholics from surrounding towns attended the services conducted in the church by Father May, a former pastor and founder of the local church and Father O Donnell now pastor of the church and several others

A message from the Pope was read at requiem mass During the past few months their local edifice has been renovated throughout The grounds have been repaired by walks and trees and the parish has also been repaired The work will cost about $4,000 which has been donated in subscriptions by local business men and church members

BOUGHT PORTER'S INTEREST

J B Hogg Takes Over Engineering Firm at Uniontown

George Porter Jr has sold his extensive engineering business in Uniontown to J B Hogg of Connellsville Mr Hogg was formerly a member of the firm of Hogg & Porter and will conduct this work in connection with his Connellsville office Mr Porter will be connected with one of the coke companies now having a works in the course of construction

Farmer's Barn Burns

The barn of Michael Blank near Greensburg was burned Saturday Loss $2,000

MISSIONARY WOMEN CLOSE THEIR WORK.

Wednesday's Sessions Taken Up With Plans Accomplished.

OUTLOOK THE COMING YEAR

Vandergrift Was Chosen as Place of Next Meeting—A Portable Chapel in Honor of Miss Jennie Reamer Donated $1,000.

Wednesday afternoon s session of the annual convention of the Woman s Foreign and Home Missionary Society of the Pittsburg Synod in session in Trinity Lutheran Church was largely attended and was pronounced the best session The church was filled with interested missionary workers and the program was greatly appreciated Following the devotional exercises conducted by Mrs H L Clare of Wilkinsburg was a discussion of What Has the Spirit of Missions Done? The social side of the topic was discussed by Mrs U P Bair of Homestead Mrs I A Hines of Shippenville discussed the topic from an intellectual standpoint Mrs F J Matter of Marienville Pa spoke of what missions had done spiritually

Need of Educating and Training the Young was the subject of a very good talk given by Mrs J M Allbeck of Monongahela followed by a report of the general convention held at Dixon Ill The report was given by Mrs C F Stiel of Allegheny P v U P Sank v of New Kensington Pa, extended greetings to the convention from the Pittsburg Synod while greetings from the Missionary President were conveyed to the convention by Rev J Elmer Bittle of Turtle Creek

Miss Ruth Garrett a returned missionary from Africa gave an instructive talk on Africa Miss Garretts home is in Wilkinsburg She has been engaged in mission work for about three years and while in Africa became acquainted with the ways and customs of the people there She is a very fluent talker and is a young lady of much personal charm

At the conclusion of Miss Garrett's address supper was served in the dining room of the church

The evening session opened with services conducted by Rev J P Sankey followed by a talk by Mrs J I Bucher of Braddock Miss Garrett then gave an address on Glimpses of Africa which was equally as interesting as the one given in the afternoon Special music was rendered by the church choir followed by the closing serices

At the closing session this morning Vandergrift was chosen as the place for holding the next annual convention The convention adjourned at 12 o clock and many of the delegates returned to their homes on the after noon trains The session opened this morning with devotional exercises conducted by Mrs Charlotte Donaldson of Butler followed by the roll call The next period was taken up with a business session during which time it was decided to erect a $1 000 portable chapel in memory of the late Jennie Reamer who on her death left a legacy to the society The chapel will be used for missionary work in the Pittsburg Synod only It was also voted by the society to support Miss Leulla Hess a missionary who sails in November for Africa to engage in mission work Miss Hess will take up the work which was formerly in charges of Miss Ruth Garrett

Reports from the various committees were then heard During the last year about 20 new missionary societies were organized while the children's societies have increased largely in number also The convention was one of the best ever held Miss Ruth Garrett conducted a conference on Africa and had on exhibit on articles made by the natives of Africa The meeting closed with the benediction

MRS YOWLER S REPLY

To Story of Husband That She Went to Kalamazoo, Mich

Mrs Sarah Yowler wife of C D Yowler of South Connellsville sends the following letter to The Courier through a resident of South Connellsville

Editor of The Courier

Dear Sir—In your paper of September 29th you published certain allegations relative to myself Allow me to make a few corrections

When I left Connellsville I did not leave for Kalamazoo Mich

My whereabouts have never been in any way a mystery

I left Connellsville to get away from the ceaseless persecutions of C D Yowler my husband

Anyone wishing a mutual friendly explanation of my behavior may write me Kansas City Mo general delivery Sarah Yowler

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PERFECT ATTENDANCE OF MANY PUPILS

Shown by Monthly Report of the Public Schools Down at Vanderbilt

Special to The Courier

VANDERBILT Oct 6—The Vanderbilt Borough schools completed their first month of school Friday, with an unusually good attendance The schools are progressing nicely this year under a corps of able instructors Many radical changes have been made in the schools within the last two years and the patrons and pupils are now profiting by them. The schools are in a progressive up to date condition and their financing (a former bugaboo) is now solved

The following is the total enrollment the attendance and the per cent of attendance

1	Martha Wilson	[illegible]	53	98
2	Maude Tint	48	46	96
	Naomi Rosenblum	[illegible]	49	93
	J S McClelland	29	27	93
4	Bess Courtney	42	[illegible]	93
		227	213	96

Those perfect in attendance

Room No John Bombo Edgar Snyder Lester Herbert, Albert Kaufman, Noble Arnette David White, Eric Morrison Ottis Herbert Ambrose Movin Charles Bailey Albert Fuller Andy Sepcovitz, J T Ambrose Columbus Rulli Alpha Hover Grace Martin Gwendolin Edwards, Julie Movin Viola Thornton Jane Bailey Mary Shallenberger Kathrine Newmyer Annie Stochnuk Katie Morrison Sophia Mondrilla, Julia Morrison Virginia Edwards Annie Koenchuk Evalyn Turmen Margarite Shubert Lillian Sheppard Agnes March en

Room No 2—Edward Popovich Robert Boyer Frank Whalen Frank Hazlett Joe Strickler Wendall Kaufman Jesse Heck Clayton Goe John Adams Alva Chalmers Ralph Herwich J C John m Mary Bordas Ella Mac Riches Possie Welling, Mary Martin, Mary Sotchick Ruth Newmyer Anna Laughrey Georgia Newmyer Mary Hilbert Barbara Brushco Catalia Baker Teressa Beatty Sophia Bunbo Hazel Shallenberger

Room No George Martin Arthur Laughrey Eddie Jordan Edward Pollick Jess Martin Joseph Nolin, James Knox Frederick Baker R M Shallenberger Eddie Gallagher Mike Bodas Lina Snider Freda Lutz Katie Moxin Ethel Vago Francis Dayton Edna Sychman Julia Pollak Bessie Mick y Hazel Maust Bess Martin Grace Newmyer

Room No 4—William Beatty Dwight Kooser Lawrence Maust Joseph Vickovic Ira Laughrey Boyd Knox Quay Herwick Harold Arlson John McFarland Amelia Vickovic Mary Pollak Mary Shubert Frances Strickler Katie Maust Angelina Martin Anna Bell Arnette Ester Coskros Julia Bordis Martha Harsh man

Room No 5 John Wilson Clyde Newmyer Jesse Jordan, Mahlon Edwards William Gallagher George Martin J C Beatty Hugh Henderson Earlis Edwards Bess Joanson Leona Laughrey Freda Wright Lilburn Reed Willa Patterson

GOLLER WAS NEGLIGENT SOMERSET JURY SAYS

His Widow Loses $25 000 Damage Suit Against the B & O—Close of Civil Court

SOMERSET Pa. Oct 7—The September term of civil court which has been in session here for nearly two weeks was concluded on Tuesday evening when Judge Kooser instructed the jury to return a verdict for the defendant in the case of Amanda C Goller of Confluence against the Baltimore & Ohio Rail road Company in action to recover $25 000 damages for the death of the plaintiff's husband John Goller who was struck by train No 15 at Confluence on March 15 1909 and instantly killed The evidence seemed to show that sufficient care was not exercised by John Goller and that the accident was due in directly to his negligence

A verdict for the defendants was returned in the case of Daniel Wagner vs James F Hammer et al an action in trespass to determine the ownership of a tract of 80 acres of valuable land in Shade township occupied by the defendant The plaintiff claimed that the title to the property was in him by virtue of a patent and that the defendant occupied the land wrongfully The land is worth about $10,000

Judge Kooser has called the attention of the County Commissioners to the defective condition of the roof of the court house which admits water by reason of broken tiles There has been trouble with the roof since the completion of the court house

Bottle Works Resume

After a shutdown of several weeks the Imperial bottle factory at Charleroi will resume work on Monday, giving employment to 150 men

Lecture of Dr. Cook Is Convincing to Connellsville People Who Hear Him.

Cashier E T Norton of the First National Bank believes Dr Frederick A Cook of Brooklyn discovered the North Pole Mr and Mrs Norton and Dr and Mrs W J Bailey were the Connellsville people who attended Dr Cook s lecture in Pittsburg Tuesday Mr Norton said he had never formed any positive opinion on the subject but Dr Cooks remarks convinced him that Peary was not the first man to reach the top of the world

Dr Cook was hampered by a bad cold which affected his voice while Duquesne Garden proved a very unsatisfactory place for the address It was the only available spot however and had to be made the best of Dr Bailey is inclined to agree with Mr Norton in accepting the claims of Dr Cook

A TRUANT OFFICER FOR THE MOUNTAINS.

Springfield Township School Board to Compel Youths to Attend School.

WHIPKEY INCIDENT THE CAUSE

Director Shank in Connellsville Thursday Tells His Side of Story—Boy Has Returned Home, But Will Not Attend School

School Director Edward Shank was in Connellsville Thursday from Springfield township and stated that a truant officer is to be appointed by the School Board there at a meeting on Saturday Russell Whipkey, who ran away from home some time ago, has returned but he has not gone back to school William Whipkey the boy s father some time ago accused Director Shank of keeping his boy out of Room No 2 in the township schools and being indirectly the cause of him leaving home

Director Shank says young Whipkey with six other pupils failed to pass their entrance examinations into Room No 2 but this fall when Whipkey came back to school he went into the upper room Fred Herman teacher of Room No 2, reported Whipkey back in his studies and Director Shank ordered him to the lower room Director John Prinkey agreed with him Shank says young Whipkey didn t know his three multiplication tables

Secretary Prinkey of the board examined the boy s papers and found that he had failed badly in his examinations When an examination of the boy was planned at Mill Run he ran away He is 14 years old and Shank says the truant officer will be expected to see that he attends school this term

Will Return to Japan

The 15 months furlough of Rev and Mrs W D Cunningham missionary workers in Japan is drawing near a close November 14 Rev and Mrs Cunningham and children Eloise Doris and Ruth will sail for Japan

Slander Suit Filed

UNIONTOWN Oct 2—Thomas Pilas of Orient has filed suit for $2 000 against Varnac Borotz charging slander.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION SUBMITTED TO THE CITIZENS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR REJECTION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AND PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH IN PURSUANCE OF ARTICLE XVIII OF THE CONSTITUTION

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing amendments to sections eight and twenty one of article four sections eleven and twelve of article five sections two three and four teen of article eight, section one of article twelve and sections two and seven of article fourteen of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and providing a schedule for carrying the amendments into effect

Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following are proposed as amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof

Amendment One—To Article Four, Section Eight

Section 2 Amend section eight of article four of the Constitution of Pennsylvania which reads as follows —

He shall nominate and by and with the advice and consent of two thirds of all the members of the Senate appoint a Secretary of the Commonwealth and an Attorney General during pleasure a Superintendent of Public Instruction for four years and such other officers of the Commonwealth as he is or may be authorized by the Constitution or by law to appoint he shall have power to fill all vacancies that may happen in offices to which he may appoint during the recess of the Senate by granting commissions which shall expire at the end of their next session he shall have power to fill any vacancy that may happen during the recess of the Senate in the office of Auditor General State Treasurer Secretary of Internal Affairs or Superintendent of Public Instruction in a judicial office or in any other elective office which he is or may be authorized to fill if the vacancy shall happen during the session of the Senate, the Governor shall nominate to the Senate before their final adjournment a proper person to fill said vacancy but in any such case of vacancy, in an elective office a person shall be chosen to said office on the next election day appropriate to such office according to the provisions of this Constitution unless the vacancy shall happen within two calendar months immediately preceding such election day in which case the election for said office shall be held on the second succeeding election day appropriate to such office In acting on executive nominations the Senate shall sit with open doors and in confirming or rejecting the nominations of the Governor the vote shall be taken by yeas and nays, and shall be entered on the journal so as to read as follows —

He shall nominate and by and with the advice and consent of two thirds of all the members of the Senate appoint a Secretary of the Commonwealth and an Attorney General during pleasure a Superintendent of Public Instruction for four years and such other officers of the Commonwealth as he is or may be authorized by the Constitution or by law to appoint He shall have power to fill all vacancies that may happen in offices to which he may appoint during the recess of the Senate by granting commissions which shall expire at the end of their next session he shall have power to fill any vacancy that may happen during the recess of the Senate in the office of Auditor General State Treasurer Secretary of Internal Affairs or Superintendent of Public Instruction in a judicial office or in any other elective office which he is or may be authorized to fill If the vacancy shall happen during the session of the Senate the Governor shall nominate to the Senate before their final adjournment a proper person to fill said vacancy but in any such case of vacancy in an elective office a person shall be chosen to said office at the next general election unless the vacancy shall happen within three calendar months immediately preceding such election in which case the election for said office shall be held at the second succeeding general election In acting on executive nominations the Senate shall sit with open doors and in confirming or rejecting the nominations of the Governor the vote shall be taken by yeas and nays and shall be entered on the journal

Amendment Two—To Article Four, Section Twenty one

Section 3 Amend section twenty one of article four which reads as follows

The term of the Secretary of Internal Affairs shall be four years of the Auditor General three years and of the State Treasurer two years These officers shall be chosen by the qualified electors of the State at general elections No person elected to the office of Auditor General or State Treasurer shall be capable of holding the same office for two consecutive terms, so as to read —

The terms of the Secretary of Internal Affairs the Auditor General and the State Treasurer shall each be four years and they shall be chosen by the qualified electors of the State at general elections but a State Treasurer, elected in the year one thousand nine hundred and nine shall serve for three years and his successors shall be elected at the general election in the year one thousand nine hundred and twelve, and in every fourth year thereafter No person elected to the office of Auditor General or State Treasurer shall be capable of holding the same office for two consecutive terms

Amendment Three—To Article Five Section Eleven

Section 4 Amend section eleven of article five which reads as follows —

Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution justices of the peace or aldermen shall be elected in the several wards, district boroughs and townships at the time of the election of constables by the qualified electors thereof in such manner as shall be directed by law and shall be commissioned by the Governor for a term of five years No township ward district or borough shall elect more than two justices of the peace or aldermen without the consent of a majority of the qualified electors within such township, ward or borough no person shall be elected to such office unless he shall have resided within the township, borough ward or district for one year next preceding his election In cities containing over fifty thousand inhabitants, not more than one alderman shall be elected in each ward or district so as to read —

Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution justices of the peace or aldermen shall be elected in the several wards districts boroughs or townships by the qualified electors thereof at the municipal election in such manner as shall be directed by law and shall be commissioned by the Governor for a term of six years No township ward district or borough shall elect more than two justices of the peace or aldermen without the consent of a majority of the qualified electors within such township ward or borough no person shall be elected to such office unless he shall have resided within the township, borough ward or district for one year next preceding his election In cities containing over fifty thousand inhabitants not more than one alderman shall be elected in each ward or district.

Amendment Four—To Article Five Section Twelve

Section 5 Amend section twelve of article five of the Constitution, which reads as follows —

In Philadelphia there shall be established for each thirty thousand inhabitants one court, not of record of police and civil causes, with jurisdiction not exceeding one hundred dollars such courts shall be held by magistrates whose term of office shall be five years and they shall be elected on general ticket by the qualified voters at large and in the election of the said magistrates no voter shall vote for more than two thirds of the number of persons to be elected when more than one are to be chosen they shall be compensated only by fixed salaries to be paid by said county and shall exercise such jurisdiction, civil and criminal, except as herein provided as is now exercised by aldermen subject to such changes not involving an increase of civil jurisdiction or conferring political duties as may be made by law In Philadelphia the office of alderman is abolished so as to read as follows —

In Philadelphia there shall be established for each thirty thousand inhabitants one court not of record of police and civil causes with jurisdiction not exceeding one hundred dollars such courts shall be held by magistrates whose term of office shall be six years and they shall be elected on general ticket at the municipal election by the qualified voters at large and in the election of the said magistrates no voter shall vote for more than two-thirds of the number of persons to be elected when more than one are to be chosen they shall be compensated only by fixed salaries to be paid by said county and shall exercise such jurisdiction civil and criminal except as herein provided as is now exercised by aldermen subject to such changes not involving an increase of civil jurisdiction or conferring political duties as may be made by law In Philadelphia the office of alderman is abolished

Amendment Five—To Article Eight, Section Two

Section 6 Amend section two of article eight which reads as follows —

The general election shall be held annually on the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November but the General Assembly may by law fix a different day two thirds of all the members of each House consenting thereto so as to read —

The general election shall be held biennially on the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November in each even numbered year, but the General Assembly may by law fix a different day two thirds of all the members of each House consenting thereto Provided That such election shall always be held in an even numbered year

Amendment Six—To Article Eight Section Three

Section 7 Amend section three of article eight which reads as follows —

All elections for city ward borough and township officers for regular terms of service shall be held on the third Tuesday of February so as to read —

All judges elected by the electors of the State at large may be elected at either a general or municipal election as circumstances may require All elections for judges of the courts for the several judicial districts and for county city ward borough and township officers for regular terms of service shall be held on the municipal election day namely the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November in each odd numbered year but the General Assembly may by law fix a different day two thirds of all the members of each House consenting thereto Provided That such election shall always be held in an odd numbered year

Amendment Seven—To Article Eight, Section Fourteen

Section 8 Amend section fourteen of article eight, which reads as follows —

District election boards shall consist of a judge and two inspectors, who shall be chosen annually by the citizens Each elector shall have the right to vote for the judge and one inspector, and each inspector shall appoint one clerk The first election board for any new district shall be selected, and vacancies in election boards filled as shall be provided by law Election officers shall be privileged from arrest upon days of election and while engaged in making up and transmitting returns except upon warrant of a court of record or judge thereof for an election fraud for felony, or for wanton breach of the peace In cities they may claim exemption from jury duty during their terms of service so as to read —

District election boards shall consist of a judge and two inspectors who shall be chosen biennially, by the citizens at the municipal election but the General Assembly may require said boards to be appointed in such manner as it may by law provide. Laws regulating the appointment of said boards may be enacted to apply to cities only Provided, That such laws be uniform for cities of the same class Each elector shall have the right to vote for the judge and one inspector and each inspector shall appoint one clerk The first election board for any new district shall be selected, and vacancies in election boards filled as shall be provided by law Election officers shall be privileged from arrest upon days of election and while engaged in making up and transmitting returns except upon warrant of a court of record, or judge thereof, for an election fraud, for felony, or for wanton breach of the peace In cities they may claim exemption from jury duty during their terms of service

Amendment Eight—To Article Twelve, Section One

Section 9 Amend section one, article twelve which reads as follows

All officers whose selection is not provided for in this Constitution shall be elected or appointed as may be directed by law so as to read —

All officers whose selection is not provided for in this Constitution, shall be elected or appointed as may be directed by law Provided, That elections of State officers shall be held on a general election day and elections of local officers shall be held on a municipal election day, except when, in either case special elections may be required to fill unexpired terms

Amendment Nine—To Article Fourteen, Section Two

Section 10 Amend section two of article fourteen which reads as follows:

County officers shall be elected at the general elections and shall hold their offices for the term of three years, beginning on the first Monday of January next after their election and until their successors shall be duly qualified all vacancies not otherwise provided for shall be filled in such manner as may be provided by law," so as to read

County officers shall be elected at the municipal elections and shall hold their offices for the term of four years, beginning on the first Monday of January next after their election, and until their successors shall be duly qualified all vacancies not otherwise provided for shall be filled in such manner as may be provided by law

Amendment Ten—To Article Fourteen, Section Seven.

Section 11 Amend section seven article fourteen which reads as follows

Three county commissioners and three county auditors shall be elected in each county where such officers are chosen in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five and every third year thereafter and in the election of said officers each qualified elector shall vote for no more than two persons and the three persons having the highest number of votes shall be elected any casual vacancy in the office of county commissioner or county auditor shall be filled by the court of common pleas of the county in which such vacancy shall occur by the appointment of an elector of the proper county who shall have voted for the commissioner or auditor whose place is to be filled so as to read

Three county commissioners and three county auditors shall be elected in each county where such officers are chosen in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven and every fourth year thereafter and in the election of said officers each qualified elector shall vote for no more than two persons, and the three persons having the highest number of votes shall be elected, any casual vacancy in the office of county commissioner or county auditor shall be filled by the court of common pleas of the county in which such vacancy shall occur by the appointment of an elector of the proper county who shall have voted for the commissioner or auditor whose place is to be filled

Schedule for the Amendments.

Section 1. That no inconvenience may arise from the changes in the Constitution of the Commonwealth and in order to carry the same into complete operation It is hereby declared that—

In the case of officers elected by the people all terms of office fixed by act of Assembly at an odd number of years shall each be lengthened one year but the Legislature may charge the length of the term provided the terms for which such officers are elected shall always be for an even number of years.

The above extension of official terms shall not affect officers elected at the general election of one thousand nine hundred and eight nor any city ward borough township or election division officers whose terms of office under existing law end in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten

In the year one thousand nine hundred and ten the municipal election shall be held on the third Tuesday of February as heretofore but all officers chosen at that election to an office the regular term of which is two years, and also all election officers and assessors chosen at that election shall serve until the first Monday of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven All officers chosen at that election to offices the term of which is now four years or is made four years by the operation of these amendments or this schedule shall serve until the first Monday of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen All justices of the peace magistrates and aldermen chosen at that election shall serve until the first Monday of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen After the year nineteen hundred and ten and until the Legislature shall otherwise provide all terms of city ward, borough township and election division officers shall begin on the first Monday of December in an odd numbered year

All city ward borough and township officers holding office at the date of the approval of these amendments whose terms of office may end in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven shall continue to hold their offices until the first Monday of December of that year

All judges of the courts for the several judicial districts and also all county officers holding office at the date of the approval of these amendments, whose terms of office may end in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven shall continue to hold their offices until the first Monday of January, one thousand nine hundred and twelve

A true copy of the Joint Resolution.

ROBERT McAFEE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

A CONTRACT LET FOR $2.85 COKE.

Dunlap-Connellsville Company Get That Price to First of Year.

PLANT IS TO BE ENLARGED

Officials of the Company Say They Could Get $3.00 a Ton for Their Furnace Fuel If They Had Enough of It to Sell.

Official confirmation of a contract for coke at $2.85 was made this morning by an officer of the Dunlap-Connellsville Coke Company. The price is for delivery until the first of the year, and as the company is a local one it will be pleasing news to Connellsville stockholders.

With the announcement comes also the information that the company will increase its number of ovens from 31 at present available to 57, the contract having been awarded for this increase. This will make 57 ovens and it is proposed to make a double block of 140 ovens.

Another feature of the work to be done at the plant is the installation of machines to undercut the coal. The State Mine Department is insisting upon the undercutting of coal and in order to comply with the mining laws the company is purchasing a number of mine machines for undercutting purposes.

Officials of the company claim that they could get $3 for their product if they had sufficient ovens in operation and could make contracts dating from January 1, 1910.

THE COKE MARKET.

As Viewed and Reviewed by a Contemporary.

The Coke and Coal Operator.

Connellsville coke has been exhibiting one of its most spectacular flights in the last two weeks. Consumers have freely paid $2.75 for nearby delivery, while contracts at $2.90 have been made for delivery over 1910, with every prospect that $3 will be reached for next year.

The present year opened with an agreement on the part of some 50 operators to maintain $1.75, but it is related that within a couple of hours of the adjourment of the meeting one operator had sold at $1.60. He knew his associates, and acted promptly. The agreement soon disappeared altogether, and in April and May the lowest prices of the year were made. For a while there was no difficulty in buying regular supplies of furnace coke at $1.50, while odd lots sold down to about $1.50, while contracts for second half could be made at $1.60.

Thus the advance in coke, whether prompt or contract, has been $1.30 to $1.40, and the greater part of the advance has been accomplished in the last three or four weeks.

The ruling prices are high, historically considered, as will be seen from the following table taken from The Courier reports. The annual average is supposed to cover foundry as well as furnace coke, and to allow for the occasional high prices obtained for prompt deliveries when coke is scarce. What the average for 1910 will be no one can tell, but this can be said: if the market makes good, sales at the present time at $2.90 for furnace coke, with $3 expected, would mean an average for the year of $3.25, or higher for the entire output of the Connellsville region, and it is with about $3.25 that the following prices should, therefore, be compared. The table starts with the lowest average price on record:

1894	$1.00
1895	1.23
1896	1.50
1897	1.05
1898	1.35
1899	2.00
1900	2.70
1901	1.95
1902	2.37
1903	3.00
1904	1.75
1905	2.20
1906	2.75
1907	2.60
1908	1.80

The $3.00 average in 1903 is the highest on record, but the market was under somewhat unusual conditions in that year. In 1907 conditions were more normal, that year showing the next highest average in the table. If a parallel to present market conditions is to be found at all, it is to be found in the conditions surrounding the coke market for 1907. The movement in 1907 contracts opened about October 1, 1906. There was heavy inquiry, and buyers were met by a quotation of $2.75. Some of them bought; others considered the price too high. The market ran along for a fortnight, and the H. C. Frick Coke Company suddenly appeared as a buyer. It bought at various prices, having to use all the acumen it could command in order to avoid having the market run away. It took some large lots, offered at less money, to go by. On the average, its purchases were understood to have been at $2.90 for the first half of 1907 and $3.00 for the second half, the later transactions, therefore, being equivalent to paying $3.10 for the second half, or 20 cents premium over the first half. Later in October belated buyers came in, some of them paying as high as $3.15.

The market for 1910 starts off at a higher level than did the market for 1907, and the question most seriously agitating the minds of consumers is whether it will end higher or lower than it began.

ONE MILE TRAMWAY TO HAUL EAGLE COAL

Old Ovens Will be Charged With Coal Brought to Summit From Gates.

OWENSDALE, Oct. 8.—A one mile tramway is to be built from the Summit mine to the Eagle mine for the purpose of hauling coal from railway cars to the tipple. The tramway already extends to the Summit mine and work will soon be commenced in extending it to the Eagle mine. Coal is being shipped from the Gates mine near Brownsville, to the Summit mine for the purpose of coke manufacturing.

The Summit mine is running full, 135 ovens being in blast, and as soon as the tipple and tramway can be built the Eagle mine will be fired to its capacity.

MINERS' AWFUL EXPERIENCE

Pinned Beneath Body of Dead Companion for Hours.

Pinned down for three hours by the body of a dead miner who had been instantly killed by a fall of slate in the Clarissa mine Monday afternoon, John Hoziska, a foreigner, was rescued alive and sustained but slight injuries. The dead man was Andy Borza, aged 36.

Borza and Hoziska were working in the same room when the slate fell. The former was instantly killed, but by a queer trick of fate a pit post and the dead man's body fell in such a manner that, while Hoziska was pinioned beneath the mass of slate and coal, he was but slightly injured.

Pit Boss J. C. Moore formed a rescue party as quickly as the accident was discovered and for three hours worked to extricate Hoziska from the debris. Hoziska was perfectly conscious and helped direct the rescuers.

After being removed, the men worked for an hour more and finally extricated the body of Borza. This was taken to Edwards undertaking establishment at Vanderbilt and later removed to that of J. L. Stader here.

Hoziska was able to go to his home and will return to work in a few days. Borza leaves a wife and several relatives in the old country. Clarissa mine is operated by the Cochrans at Dawson.

BIG RAIL ORDERS

Will Boom Business at the Edgar Thomson Mill.

Out of the big rail order of the Pennsylvania railroad for 1910, calling for 200,000 tons, approximately 85,000 tons will come to the Edgar Thomson mills of the Carnegie Steel Company at Braddock.

The Steel Corporation tonnage of the order will be sent to Pittsburg because its Illinois mills are already over rushed and because the Pennsylvania order is to points nearer Pittsburg for shipment.

WORK ON CHEAT BRIDGE.

Engineer Hogg Has Party of Engineers On It.

Engineer J. B. Hogg sent a force of men to Point Marion on Tuesday to do some additional work on the bridge across the Cheat river at that place.

The bridge is completed, but there is some construction on the wing wall which Contractor Louis Costa has not completed.

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FIRM SWAMPED WITH BUSINESS.

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The plant is handicapped by its size. A prominent stockholder made an authoritative statement yesterday that instead of 50 or 55 men the plant at this time has work for over 100 men and further that it could continuously employ such a force of men. Big profit is being made on the work done, but under present conditions it is not possible to turn out the volume of contracts. As this stockholder stated, "It is the best proposition in Fayette county for a profitable and continuously expanding business."

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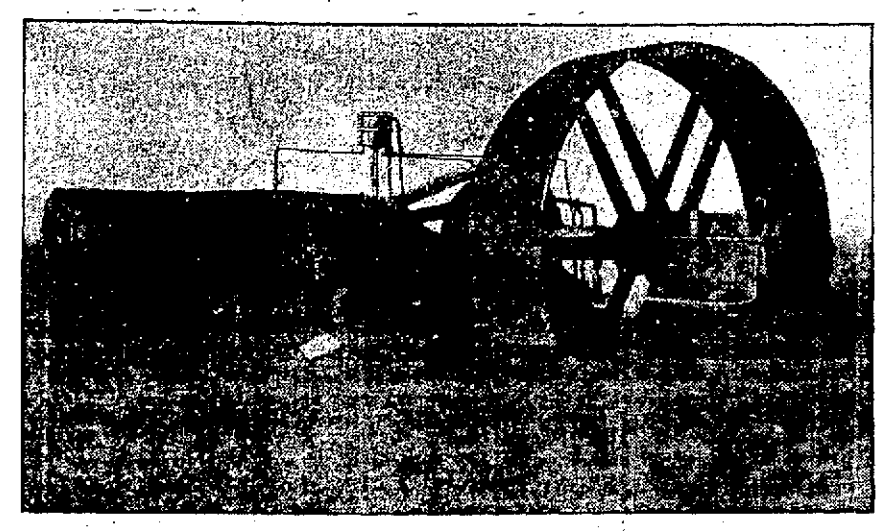

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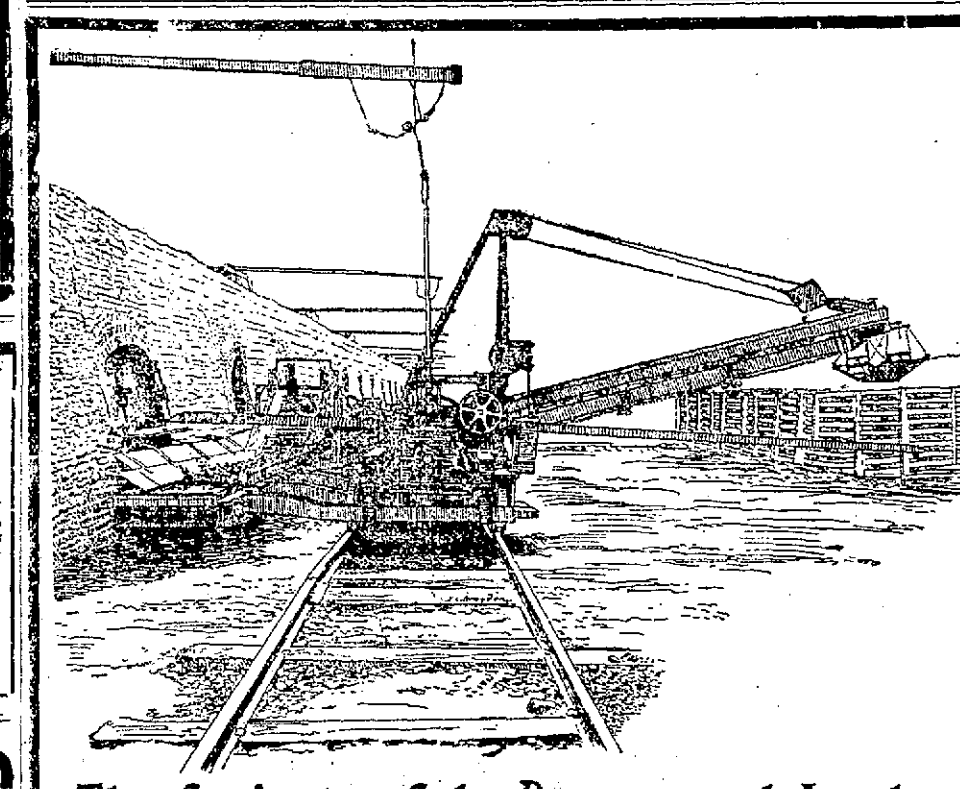

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